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Racing in the rain: SSB race at the 1999 runoffs.

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FROM ANOTHER PERSPECTIVE...

It may be the heat that's making me irritable, but I'm finding it extremely difficult to be positive and supportive this month. Forgive my indulgence as I proceed to air my frustration with your seeming apathy.

Western Ohio Region, SCCA will no longer hold monthly general membership meetings. The Board will delegate a committee to undertake the rewriting of the bylaws. We will form a Solo II Board, consisting of the Region's Solo Chair and his appointed board members. They will operate under the Regional and National bylaws and maintain their own finances in the Region treasury. Expenditures and income will be reviewed with the Region Board for approval. Specific details need to be confirmed under the new and revised Bylaws. Similar Boards will be set up for Rally and Rallycross for Western Ohio Region. The Activities Chair will appoint a committee of 4-6 members who will make recommendations to the Board on activities and their expenditures/profit margin. Activities will be discussed and voted upon by the Board at the monthly Board meeting. Notification will be sent out in the Rev Record publication, posted on the Web site and publicized to the appropriate group of interest as deemed by the Publicity Chair. Race Chair will head the Competition Board, and delegate and coordinate all road races, should the Region decide to support any. Special interest groups and/or committees may be appointed by the Board at any time to handle specific events, problems and/or issues which may arise during the operating year. The Board of Directors will be increased by three members. One member at large being the outgoing or past RE , one member at large being the outgoing or past Race Chair and the third member at large being the outgoing or past Solo II Chair. This will assist in providing continuity in leadership and club direction as well as support in meeting National deadlines and preventing repeated or costly mistakes. The Rev record editor, the secretary, Web and publicity chairs will form one committee to record, coordinate and disseminate appropriate information to the members, National office and general public. Again, details need to be confirmed under the new and revised bylaws.

This will prevent the Region from having to pay a monthly rental fee for the meeting site and eliminate the cost of raffles and/or activities at general membership meetings, like extraction demonstrations, family picnics, trivia contests and personal race videos. It will also eliminate the need for juggling personal schedules to meet the juggling meeting times. No more pesky meetings to attend. No more bothersome get-togethers to talk about the last rally or the last rally cross or the last party, or the last...the very last ...event that Western Ohio Region ever put on. Remember when we went to hill climbs, breakfast rallies, group rallies that camped out together overnight, worked with and watched our friends and family race in competition...soloed in the rain for the first time and went out for beer and pizza after we all picked up the muddy cones together?

If you don't care...you don't need to read any further. Nothing that I've written so far will upset you. Because we're really close to doing all of that stuff now. We pretty much function through a small group of those

REGULAR MEETING

The next meeting of Western Ohio Region, SCCA is on July 11, 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 7:30 p.m.* and is open to all members and guests. See you there!

WOR GAMES 2000

WOR GAMES MEETING

WHEN: July 18

WHERE: To Be Announced

TIME: 7 p.m.

WOR GAMES MEETING

WHEN: September -

Date/time/location to be announced

At this time, these will be the only meetings to focus on the WOR GAMES. An additional meeting may be organized for mailings and/or as deemed necessary by the committee. Mark your calendars to join in the fun and help our region put on the WOR GAMES for 2000.

The theme this year...

" THE SHOW MUST GO ON ! "

WESTERN OHIO REGION BOARD MEETING MINUTES - June 6, 2000

The June board meeting was held at Fricker's East on Woodman Dr. Dayton, Ohio and was called to order by RE Debbie Sonderman at 7:10 PM. In attendance: Linda Smiley, Cheryl Connelly, John Schlegel, Tracey Stephenson, Chris Watson, Doug Mildon, Nick Folger, Gayle Conley and members Dave Rudy and Trevor Sonderman.

Doug Mildon gave the *Rev Record* report, articles are due by the 15th, photos would be appreciated. Not too many business cards were turned in for the free ads. The membership list was discussed, let Christie know if you do not wish to be listed. Discussion followed as to format, should it be in the *Rev Record* or by computer (or both). Debbie will explore options and report at next board meeting.

Chris Watson, Assistant RE & WOR Games Chairman reported that there were only 3 people at the last WOR Games meeting. He feels we should cancel or pull out or the club will lose money. Alternatives and options were discussed and will be explored as time is limited. Change of future date was mentioned to avoid conflict with 2001 F1 race. This issue should be discussed at the next membership meeting for input from the club. The next WOR games meeting will be June 20th at Hooters. Debbie advised that the electric cars have declined an invitation to participate in WOR Games due to a schedule conflict, but they may be interested in the future. Chris also announced that Jim & Jana Begovich have donated a club Rallycross vehicle. It will be at the next event June 18th at the Greene County Fairgrounds.

Membership info is still going to John Blackstone, Debbie will continue to try and get SCCA to fix this.

Treasurer Gayle Conley provided the financial report. As always, the information will be available at the meeting for members to see. Cheryl Connelly needs the deposit for the Christmas Dinner dance; board approval was given for the \$300. Deposit. She will also be checking on sponsorship possibilities for as much as she can for the dinner dance.

John Schlegel, Solo Chair reported that we made a profit from the Mother's Day event at the VA. The rent for the next VA event and the payment for the trophy plates were approved. John reported that this event was the first with the junior carts, the event went well in spite of computer problems. The next event is this Sunday at Kil Kare (no karts allowed), they will be allowed at the next event at the VA. The Indianapolis Region requested rental of our timing equipment for their BF Goodrich Cen-Div event in July. The will be paying the region \$100. + any damages. The rental was approved by the board. Trailer roof still needs repair.

Rally Chair Nick Folger passed our revised the revised Rallycross schedule. The budget was also discussed. Nick reported that he went to the Cincinnati Region Rally/ Gravelcross. It was a good event. He also reported on Doug Mildon's breakfast rally this past weekend, only 4 attended. The next rallycross is June 18th at the Greene County Fairgrounds. Nick also mentioned the possibility of having a rallycross series with other regions. There is a Jun 17th NSC beginner night rally, the Kettering Parks Rally is the first Sunday in August.

Scott Stout, Membership Chair has the new member packets ready. Mike Barton has volunteered to assist in membership recruitment, especially with Speed Freakz members.

Activities Chair Cheryl Connelly reported that there would be an Ice Cream Social at the June meeting. Everyone should bring a topping. Cost will be \$1. Per person.

Debbie will be looking into when the bylaws were last updated to see if an update committee is needed. Dave Rudy reported that he has picked up a book collection that has been donated by Bob VanPatten. The collection is to be auctioned off at a later date. Dave will catalog the collection to see what all is there.

Competition Chair Doug Mildon reported that he needs results from members. He also reported that his Breakfast Rally was good, but the turnout was very disappointing.

Webmaster Tracey Stephenson reported that she has not been feeling well, but she is trying to get the web pages updated as much as possible. We have had 1591 hits on the WOR website, 43 have wanted addl. info.

Business: The free business card ads will be extended another month. Costs for the ads are in the *Rev Record*. The July Board Meeting will be July 6th due to the 4th of July holiday being on Tuesday. The meeting will be at Hooters, Scott Stout's choice. The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Smiley, Secretary

WOR MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES - June 13, 2000

The June meeting of the Western Ohio Region was called to order by **RE Debbie Sonderman** at 7:50 PM after ice cream.

Treasurer Gayle Conley requested that anyone that needs a check see her asap. The financial report is available, if any one has any questions, please feel free to contact her. The membership assessment is due and will be sent to SCCA right away.

John Schlegel Solo Chair reported that Solo is doing great, we have had 2 successful events in May, the VA event on Mothers Day was the first for karts. Last weekend's event at Kil Kare had 50 entries. Kent Weaver reported on WOR member results at recent events, including the Pro Solo at Grissom May 21 & 22 with 208 entrants and the BF Goodrich Central Division event at Grissom Aeroplex and the BF Goodrich Cen-Div event this past weekend at Walesboro, Indiana. The National Tour event will be at Grissom July 1 & 2, July 9th is the BFG Cen Div in Flint, July 16th is the next WOR event at the VA. John Schlegel tried a new idea with a different event chair at the next event. He advised he might try this again. See him to volunteer.

Debbie reported that **Publicity Chair Noel Swartz** has advertisements in the Wheels section of Dayton Daily News at no cost. He also reported by e-mail that the Carillon Park run was quite successful with our donated pylons. All have been returned and were very much appreciated.

Competition Chair Doug Mildon reported the results of the June 4th Breakfast Rally. He also reported on WOR members results from last weekend's National race at Mid Ohio. Random fuel testing is here!

Rally Chair Nick Folger reported that the 2nd rallycross at Watson's Farm had 21 entrants. Results are in the Rev Record. The next rallycross is Sunday June 18th, registration begins at 8:30, first car out at 11 AM. All of the rallycrosses will now be on Sundays and will have the same registration/start times. Nick reported that the club has a "new" POS club car courtesy of Jim & Jana Begovich. It will be at the next rallycross on June 18th at the Greene County Fairgrounds. He reported on the Cincinnati Region Gravelrama rallycross last weekend. He has info on an upcoming rallycross in Portsmouth June 25th. Dan Coughnour challenged all to come Sunday & beat his time in his 73 VW Beetle.

Rev Record Editor Christie Mildon reported that the deadline is the 15th. She needs photos. (She still has some horse photos in case she does not get any!). The free business cards ads will be available again in August, make sure and get your business card to Christie.

Membership Chair Scott Stout had such a nice short report, I think I missed it. He did report that the new member packets are ready, thank you to Wally for the nice intro letter and to Tracey for the Solo and Rallycross schedule magnets.

Cheryl Connelly, Activities reported that there is a Father's special raffle this month, along with the 50/50 raffle and the Ice Cream Social. August will be the Beer & Brats Cookout, October will be spaghetti, the Old Timers (??) party will be in conjunction with the October Rallycross at Watson's Farm. December is the WOR Dinner Dance at Convention Center.

New Business: Stephen Johnson has been named marketing manager of SCCA.

Doug Mildon acting as proxy for Chris Watson announced that it appears that interest appears to be declining in WOR Games. Chris has proposed that we cancel WOR Games. There were not enough members at the membership meeting to make any kind of decision. He reported that races do not seem to be doing very well so far this year. Options were discussed including not having the race, as all we would lose would be the \$2000. Deposit that has been paid, selling the date if possible or allowable. We would need entries of 200-220 cars to break even. Chris and Debbie are looking for input from members on how to proceed. Debbie feels that the club has experience apathy before, but does not feel that we should give up WOR Games. Jerry Martin mentioned the past history of WOR games going against F1 races, in 1989 there was no WOR Games and we managed to survive anyway. The board will need to make a decision soon. There will be a WOR Games meeting June 20th at 7pm at Hooters. Please plan to attend even if you cannot make it to the race.

Old Business: Membership Directory is being worked on, let Christie or a board member know if you do not want your name or address to be included. Discussion followed as to whether to put in the Rev Record and/or have available by member request and/or on computer.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM. The next membership meeting of the Western Ohio Region will be July 11, 2000 at the Christopher Club at 7:30 PM.

July Anniversaries

John Comeskey	1998
Bradley Crutchleo	1999
Donna Edsall	1997
John E. Erdei	1989
John L. Erdei	1989
Lynne Erdei	1989
Michael Erdei	1989
Kerry Fernandez	1997
David Howard	1994
Justin Marie Howard	1994
Eric Jenkins	1998
Glenn J. Jividen, Jr.	1986
Keith King	1995
Amy McCallister	1994
Jack McLaren	1983
Anne McOnnell	1984
Jane Miller	1997
Jeffrey Miller	1997
Steven Miller	1995
David Nihiser	1997
Retha Ann Tirpack	1988

Respectfully Submitted,
Linda Smiley, Secretary

ANOTHER PERSPECTIVE (cont. from pg. 3)

who do care. Why beat ourselves up asking for people to come play? As long as the dues are there for us to spend when we need them...who cares where they come from or who pays for the fun we're having? We can make the changes mentioned above firm and function as many other Regions in SCCA do.

Last event...did you notice how many ex-RE's were there? Where's Brad Towne, Denny Shimer, Doc McConnell, Ann McDermott McConnell, Steve Harris, Paxton Mendelsohn, Paul Lane, Dan Coughnour, (oops, well, he's not quite all there now anyway, is he?) I love you, Dan. Wonder why they're all missing? Yes, just like you, they are all busy and can come up with a hundred good reasons to not attend.

Mostly, they got burnt out. Nobody can make 400 members happy...alone. Now we have some people so overworked and under-supported by the membership that they want to call off the WOR Games. One regional race that has a tradition of great participation, good fun and good competition. I agree that it's unsettling. There is reason for some concern. BUT...

We have a good Board of Directors and we have a good core group of members willing to work MORE, so that you, our members, can enjoy the sport of motor racing competition. BUT WE NEED YOU !

1. Meetings are boring - What do you want to do? How do you want to conduct the general business and hear what each facet of the region is involved in? Is the Rev Record and our articles enough? Tell us what your individual preference is. It may be the same as 132 other individuals in the club. I like activities at the meetings - then we can do our business and have a good time together without having to work another night into a busy schedule. I like activities separate from the meeting - we have business to take care of. I have to work the next day and can't relax or party on a weeknight.

2 Meeting time is bad - The 8 pm meeting was established more than 20 years ago. We've changed it twice in the last two years. What time do you want to have it? What time would be acceptable for the most people? I want to go home and change between work and the meeting.

I want to go straight from work to the meeting so I don't have to drive back and forth wasting gas/time. I want to get home before too late, I work early in the morning. I don't get to talk to these people any other time than the meeting, it's my social hour. Skip the meeting and let's just party!

3. I only belong because I have to in order to have a race license - Guess who's money we're spending? Wouldn't you like to come once in awhile to put in your two cents worth on what we do with it? Don't care? Fine. Thanks for that last rally! There were three of us who had a nice drive, a great breakfast and a really good time together...you paid for it.

4. The Board makes all of the decisions anyway. We only show up to hear what they decided. We can read that in the REV.

Bull*#%*.

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Upcoming Events

Mark your calendars now!

- ◆ August Meeting - Cookout
- ◆ Progressive Dinner Rally - TBA
- ◆ October Meeting - Spaghetti Dinner
- ◆ October 22 - Old Timers Party (and Rally Cross) at the Watsons'
- ◆ December 15 - Christmas Dinner and Year End Awards at the Dayton Convention Center

Watch for additional events to be added!

Call Cheryl Connely if you would like to help with any of these.

MEMBERSHIP CHATTER

Membership has been moving along with close to a half dozen or so, new members per month. The article in "Wheels Magazine" really helped our Solo II turn out at Kil-Kare this past week end and several drivers requested applications, which have been forwarded.

I am still not receiving the membership list from national so my list is kind of goofy but I do know some of our newest members.

Michael Barton of Kettering, has signed on.

Todd Funderburg of Tipp City, is a new member.

Johnice Goodnite-Kelley of Lily Lake Il., is going the distance.

Robert Jennings of Dayton, is now a full member.

Elliott Lake of Dayton, has enlisted.

Tim Moore of Englewood, is a new Member.

Kevin Stewart of Centerville, has promised to help out.

Craig Stockton of Waynesville, has put his money up.

Spencer Rodgers of Dayton is now officially a member.

Matt Chamberlain of Kettering, is destined to suffer in Vintage A. His wife is **Jo**.

Craig Clouse of Dayton, is interested in Club Racing. His wife is **Pamelia**.

Everett McCauley of Miamisburg, is also interested in Club Racing. His wife is **Starla**. **Jason & Jamaica** are their hope for the future.

The "New Member Welcome Packets" are now complete and I am in the process of mailing them out. All new members from December, 1999 forward, should get a package within the next few weeks. Anyone else interested in receiving a package should give me a call 937-291-0978. All are welcome to one.

That almost covers it for this month - PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE VOLUNTEER FOR WOR GAMES before it's too late!

Scott Stout, Membership Chair

Editor's Note: For reasons unknown (either computer or operator error - and I know where my money is) the last half of Scott's May column disappeared. Here's the continuation that should have appeared. (Sorry, Scott!)

And speaking of helping, TOM JOHNSON, out of Germantown, has expressed an interest in helping newcomers in CLUB RACING. He is very active with an open wheel car and can remember how difficult, intimidating, and confusing it was to be new. (I can remember that I didn't even know what to take to the track!) His offer is very generous and new people should jump at the opportunity. Tom's phone number is 937-855-7319.

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ACTIVITIES REPORT

We did a special raffle in May
for all mothers and one in June
for all fathers ...

So in July, we'll do a special raffle for all "others" including kids!

Also at the July meeting, we'll have snacks and a 50-50 raffle.

THE CLASSIFIEDS

NOTICE: This classified section is FREE to SCCA members. Your ad will be printed three times. *** indicates that your ad has appeared for the final time.

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May Membership Chatter (cont. from page 7)

Additional name tags have been ordered and I'm now collecting more names for next months delivery. If you don't have your "SCCA NAME TAG" please get in touch with me.

A move has been made to supply "Free" SCCA Stickers to interested parties for additional promotional value. We are also looking into reproducing a round WOR/SCCA Sticker and a Patch. At a minimal cost we could help to promote ourselves. Please contact me or any board member to voice your opinion.

Look in the mail for a letter from us containing a small membership kit. This kit is intended for your glove box so you can pass them out among your pals when showin off your iron or braggin to your friends.

If you've not checked out the new Chat Room On-Line, you are really missing out on some cut-throat humor. The boys do get vicious at times and then the ladies straighten em out. Go to our web and follow the link. You'll be glad you did.

Greg Stephenson suggested we work the Adult Diabetes Foundation Walk-a-Thon this summer. He offered to help and has some great ideas. We are going to need help so please step forward-we can make this fun and make some money. Polaroids of kids and race cars go for \$3 to \$5 bucks. It's hard to ignore \$400 or \$500 plus and hand full of memberships. It lightens everybody's work load.

I'm still looking for the Membership Questionnaires that were in the last "Rev Record". Please fill them out and send them in. It will help us to strengthen our group.

New Member Welcome Packets are coming. The final version is near!

We're still looking for old SCCA Memorabilia. Give us a call with that old stuff. It will really help to put together a membership booth.

A Volunteer Committee is still being sought - PLEASE VOLUNTEER.

And That's All Folks! I've got a brake line to secure; A muffler to rehang (loose for 2 years now); A brake drum with a stripped wheel stud; and I really should change that oil.

Scott Stout, Membership Chair

RACING REALM

Well this month will be a short and somewhat sour message from the road race chair. Get on your speed reading glasses and lets go. First I would like to thank Christie Mildon, Gayle & Jeff Conley for all the help they provided for the running of the breakfast rally. They really went beyond and above the duty usually needed in helping to put on an event. I was just the lowly rally master, they made the event something special, but I will boast that I lost nobody on this event. I would also like to thank those of you that came out and weathered the great spring time season, getting up to celebrate another beautiful Sunday. The results are as follows. First place Nick & Shirley Folger, Second place Tony Rose & Melissa Nuccum, and third place Chris, Kim, & Elliot Watson. There were 4 cars for the rally and about 10 people for just the food or to help. I wish more of you could have made the event, but !!!!!!!

For Road Racing results I will ask again for you to send those to me by any way you can. The end of the year awards are based mostly on the results sent in by racers. Any stories that go along with the results are greatly appreciated. If I can remember results from the OVR National, Larry Conner 1st place FA. Noah Smith 6th place FV. Jeff Loughhead (in the SOS industries entry) 5th place FV. Steve Demeter 25th place FC (bad battery). Glenn Jividen 11th place S-2. Steve Miller 7th place FP. If there were any others I could not find you on the entry sheets. If you were there, please let me know and I will get your results out. As a side note, fuel testing was performed at the race with an observer from Denver national office watching the testing procedures. Several cars were found to be non-compliant and fined \$ 25.00 by the chief steward. This is what HE decided to impose, but another chief steward could do much more. Be aware that some commonly found (and used) racing fuels may not meet the new test in your particular class. The latest Fastrack has the limits of each test for the classes, compare them to your fuel manufacturers contents, of which can be obtained from the manufacturer. Turbo Blue has been mentioned as one that may be questionable, along with some others like Union 76 racing fuel. It looks like it's going to be some time before all the kinks are worked out of this one and also the uniform distribution of penalties.

That's about all for now, if anyone needs any help with questions or problems don't hesitate to get in touch with me.

FOR THE SPORT!

Doug Mildon, *Road Race Chair*



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WOR Solo Members Hit the Road in 2000

ProSolo National Series – Peru, IN. The only ProSolo event conducted in Cendiv for 2000 was at the Grissom Aeroplex in Peru, IN on May 19 - 21. Kent Weaver was the event chair and had Linda Smiley as Chief Safety Steward, Bart Merriam as Chief of Course, and Danny Popp as the Course Designer. That event very quickly became the largest of the year so far with the entrants being capped at 200 the week before the event, 220 entrants finally accepted, and 208 showing up to run from all over the country. If you aren't familiar with the ProSolo format, you could say it's a combination of drag racing and Solo2 having a Christmas tree start with two cars starting side-by-side and running two mirror image courses. The event went fairly well with what I'll call just a few glitches. The first was when two members of the national staff (that were coming in to run the timing/scoring and equipment for the event) were forced to drive from Denver and Chicago after their flights got cancelled due to the airline's blue flu. Then there was the entrant that was disqualified immediately after the base security police released him for driving across the active military runway to get to the site. (Definitely not a good thing, Grissom Air Reserve Base is still an active KC-135 Aerial Refueling Tanker Base!) Lastly, the second most unfortunate item during the event was we had two cars come together on course. No this is not road racing so it's somewhat surprising here, but the damage could have been much worse and there were no injuries. Overall, most everyone left happy. The

courses were more technical than the past two years, but were still fast if you did it right. The pizza party on Friday night was a good time with people coming over to eat pizza just to get warm. (It was really cold compared to just the day before!) A local Boy Scout of America Troop, Troop 390 of Aldersgate United Methodist in Huber Heights, provided great food and concessions for everyone both Saturday and Sunday. The weather for the most part stayed cooler but did warm up enough Sunday afternoon to make it bearable. Here is how the six of us did:

Dave Rudy was the lone WOR representative in D Stock with his '98 Neon and finished out of the trophies with a time of 81.421 seconds combined.

Kent Weaver drove his F Stock '96 Mustang to a time of 77.862 seconds and 11th place after hitting cones on his fast runs on both sides.

Bart Merriam won A Prepared (a compilation of three compared classes with indexed times) with a time of 69.986 seconds in his '93 Honda Civic.

Dean Rindler co-driving the same Honda in A Prepared finished one second back with a time of 70.818 seconds which was only good enough for fourth place.

Bill Smiley drove their '85 Van Diemen Formula Ford to a 3rd place finish in C Modified with a time of 68.561 seconds, just over 0.8 seconds out of first.

Linda Smiley drove their Van Diemen to a 6th place finish in

the Ladies 2 class with an indexed time of 64.360 seconds.

Bart Merriam and Linda Smiley were the only WOR members to qualify for the challenges. Bart exited the Open Challenge after the first round. Linda made it into the Bonus Challenge and finished 2nd in her own words due to "one @#\$% cone!"

"Peru is the Place!" That was the title of the first event of the BFGoodrich Cendiv Solo2 Championship Series which was hosted by the South Bend Region on June 2-4 at Grissom Aeroplex in Peru, IN. Yes, two weeks later we were back at Grissom. This was a combined-time, two-day, 3 runs/day, event at what used to be the concrete tarmac of the alert facility for B-58 bombers. Grissom is considered by many to be one of the two best concrete sites in Cendiv and certainly the most centrally located with the other being just a bit farther north (6 hours) in Wurtsmith, MI, also an old alert facility. Over 250 entrants were there making this the biggest series event in quite a few years if not even in the history of the series. Weather was a bit cool, okay downright cold in the mornings, and it even rained lightly on Sunday for some added fun. The course was a technical, challenging course that was easy to overdrive and lose lots of time by doing such. It was a very good event overall, especially when you consider SBR had volunteers step up to make this event a reality when the original event chair became ill during the last month prior to the event. WOR had nine

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The Board makes the decisions that no one else show up to assist with or appears to care about as evidenced by their lack of attendance at any rally, rallycross, general membership meeting, race meeting, solo board meeting etc. Want to attend a Board meeting? Call the RE and let me know PRIOR to the board meeting so that we can schedule you into the agenda. No problem.

5. Can't make the meetings because I work at that time or I watch the kids or I attend mandatory work meetings or ...

You can call or email any board member and give them your input on any club matter at any time. Your opinions will be relayed to the Board at the next board meeting

So, do I want to quit? Sometimes. But I am pretty stubborn. I am committed to making this a good year for WOR. It can be done. We will do it. There will be a WOR Games 2000. Anybody out there who will help? You have our number. D. Sonderman, RE

New members - Scott Stout has worked with a number of members to create a really nice membership packet! Thanks Scott! I'd like to acknowledge everyone, but I don't want to miss anyone. Contributors include: Wally Ellifritt, Tracy Stephenson, John Schlegel, Noel Swartz,

If you are fortunate enough to be under 26 years old, you are eligible for the Speed Freakz program offered by SCCA. Contact Scott, Doug Mildon or myself for more information on how you may save money and still keep the other benefits of membership.

We do need workers for the WOR Games that we will hold Sept. 23rd & 24th at the Mid-Ohio. Please contact one of the Board if you can and/or are planning to attend.

Debbie Sonderman, R.E.

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entrants make the trip and here's how we did.

Bill Hughes brought home a 3rd place trophy in D Stock with his '98 Neon turning a time of 105.884 seconds or 1.7 seconds out of the win. Bill was 0.6 seconds back the first day (well within striking distance) but hit a cone on what would have been the fastest run in the class on Sunday making him stay with his first run which was 1.1 seconds slower.

Kent Weaver ran his F Stock '96 Mustang Cobra to a 10th place finish out of 15 with a time of 107.379 seconds and 6.3 seconds back primarily on the strength of no clean runs on the first day.

Jeff Brown ran his '98 Integra Type R to a 3rd place trophy in G Stock with a time of 103.740 seconds just barely 0.6 seconds back. Jeff had a 0.2 second lead in first place Saturday with a time of 53.503 seconds but couldn't hold off the other two on Sunday. Great drive for his first Cendiv event!

Eric Brunamonti drove a '93 Honda Civic Si to a fourth place finish in H Stock with a time of 111.942 seconds, 3.8 seconds back.

Bart Merriam (HART Racing) took home the victory in his E Prepar'd '93 Honda Civic with a time of 97.095 seconds setting the fastest times in class both days.

Andy Ryder (HART Racing) placed third in the same car with a time of 104.653 seconds after fighting to get a clean run each day.

Bill Smiley drove their C Modified '85 Van Diemen Formula Ford to a 4th place trophy with a time of 92.259 seconds, 3.4 seconds back. He too fought keeping it clean on Sunday with only one clean run.

Linda Smiley drove the same car to a second place finish in CML with a time of 94.213 seconds, a little over 0.7 seconds back even after posting the quickest time in class on Sunday by almost 0.4 seconds.

Other Notes of Interest:

Dean Rindler who normally co-drives the E Prepared Honda missed this event as he opted to go on a "real" honeymoon to the Caribbean instead of a racing honeymoon. Congratulations to Linda and Dean Rindler on their marriage on May 27th which seemingly was carefully scheduled between a ProSolo and this event.

Kent's weekend started out on a sour note Friday afternoon while trying to set up the "WOR camp" in the paddock area. The Smiley's RV & trailer along with the HART Racing truck & 45 foot trailer typically become the hub of the camp. Kent used his truck and trailer as the end marker to save spaces for the others. At one point, Kent was directing another truck/trailer into the area when much to his dismay the driver pulled his trailer fender right into the front of Kent's truck! Thankfully, this only caused minor damage to the bumper (mainly the trim piece) and the fender of the trailer which was toast! Unfortunately, that wasn't the last of Kent's woes. Next came Saturday afternoon when a Safety

Steward asked, "Kent, is that your truck parked near the supply trailer?" Kent replied "Yes, do you need it or want me to move it?" (It was being used as a support vehicle by the event organizers so that wouldn't have been the first time.) "Nope, you need to come with us...the supply trailer ramp blew down onto your truck." Luckily, here too the damage was pretty minor as the rubber donut is what hit the right door A-pillar and only left a nice little round dent! Pretty good event, drove poorly without a clean run Saturday and only had the truck hit twice!

"Wailin at Walesboro!" The following weekend, Jun 11, had everyone trekking to Walesboro, IN which is about 5 miles south of Columbus, IN for the second BFGoodrich Cendiv Solo2 Championship Series event hosted by the Columbus Sports Car Club. This event had 115 entrants and was a single-day, best-time event that offered everyone 4 runs. The site is an old decommissioned private runway which has very neglected rough, pitted asphalt for the surface – worse than the VA or Kil-Kare. In my opinion, the course was the best course I've run this year, had better flow, and was faster than the course in Peru, but suffered from less grip and less runoff room to the soybeans or corn. More of a testosterone course so to speak. Just because it was faster and had good flow doesn't mean it wasn't challenging though, there were a number of places where you could either make up a bunch or time or lose it in gobs. The weather cooperated

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on this one as it was a wonderful 90ish degree F and sunny race day.

Saturday afternoon, the gang headed over into the Brown County State Park area where we relaxed and shopped in nearby Nashville, IN. If you've never been there, we compared Nashville to a small scale Gatlinburg, TN. Definitely a tourist trap so we did what every good tourist should do, walked around, bought some souvenirs, ate treats, bought more treats to take home, and toilet papered some other competitor's tow vehicle we ran across there. We had 9 WOR members in attendance again at this one too.

Bill Hughes in his '98 Neon came out way out on top at this event winning D Stock by over 2.2 seconds to the next closest competitor with a time of 52.329 seconds. He continued the WOR trend established in the first heat by scoring dnf's on his first two runs but turned in two quick clean runs on his last two.

Kent Weaver in his '96 Mustang Cobra bested the rest of F Stock and all but one other car in the fendered classes with a winning time of 51.095 seconds which was over 1 second faster than the next closest competitor in F Stock. He also continued the "trend" with a first run dnf of 50.295 seconds and a +4 cone penalty with a spin on his second run before cleaning it up on his last two just barely. His winning run was his third where he scooted a cone as far as one could without it counting against you. What a way to turn around a dismal showing at the first series event!

Jeff Brown continued his impressive ways in his G Stock 98 Integra with a 2nd place trophy and a time of 53.612 seconds, just 0.034 seconds back from the winner! His last run raw time would have given him the win by 0.1 seconds if not for the +3 cone penalty. "Coulda, woulda, shoulda" as the saying goes. Hope to report Jeff bringing home a 1st place trophy soon.

Eric Brunamonti drove his '93 Honda Civic to a 1st place win in H Stock with a time of 53.670 seconds and a margin of over 0.5 seconds over the 2nd place finisher.

E Prepared was a battle between Bart Merriam and Dean Rindler in their '93 Honda Civic, so a WOR member was guaranteed to win this one. Bart came out on top with a time of 51.428 seconds after continuing the "trend" with a +5 on his first run and a dnf on his second. Dean finished second due to not having a clean run all day but having a good enough raw time to have won by 0.023 seconds. Must be tough getting back into the swing of it after being in the Caribbean.

Bill Smiley drove the family '85 Van Diemen Formula Ford to a 3rd place trophy finish in C Modified with a time of 46.297 seconds roughly 0.8 seconds back. He did buck the trend by gathering cones only on his middle two runs instead of the first two but fought a fuel problem that kept him from potentially finishing much higher.

C Modified Ladies was also a WOR battle with Linda Smiley in the Van Diemen and Cheryl

Connelly running her first major event in a '78 Tiga Formula Ford. This is where "trend" started with Linda scoring dnf's on her first two runs but coming back with clean runs the rest of the way for a winning time of 49.308 seconds. Cheryl fought cone problems on all but one run with those "wider rear tires" but did very well running only 2 seconds behind Linda in raw time.

Next Up...The next major event is back at what is quickly becoming "home away from home" Grissom Aeroplex where the Kentucky Region is hosting the SCCA National Tour on Jul 1-2. It's already looking to be the biggest event at Grissom so far. The following weekend the BFGoodrich Cendiv Series picks up again with an event in Grand Blanc, MI hosted by the Saginaw Valley Region. Looks like lots of good times ahead, so if you're not travelling with us yet, come on out and join the fun!

Lastly, we want to say "Thank You!" to The Wheel Source and all their support and sponsorship of many of the soloists who travel! Without a doubt, your help enables us to bring home all of the hardware we do.

Kent Weaver

Letter

august events

july events

sunday	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday	saturday
BHF=Blackhawk Farms BIR=Brainerd Int'l Raceway GRA=Grattan GM=GingerMan IRP=Indianapolis Raceway Park	M-O=Mid Ohio NL=Nelson Ledges RA=Road America RT66=Route 66 WAT=Waterford Hills	Reg=Regional Race Nat=National Race PRO=Pro Event DS=Driver's School DRR=Divisional Road Rally RRR=Regional Road Rally RSII=Regional Solo II				1 Reg at M-O Reg at BHF
2 Reg at M-O Reg at BHF	3	4	5	6 WOR Board Meeting 7 p.m. Location TBA	7	8 Reg at GRA Nat at IRP
9 Reg at GRA Nat at IRP	10	11 WOR Membership Meeting 7:30 p.m. Christopher Club	12	13	14	15 Reg at GM
16 WOR Solo Points Event at VA Reg at GM	17	18 WOR Games Meeting 7 p.m. Location TBA	19	20	21	22 Reg at M-O Nat at NL
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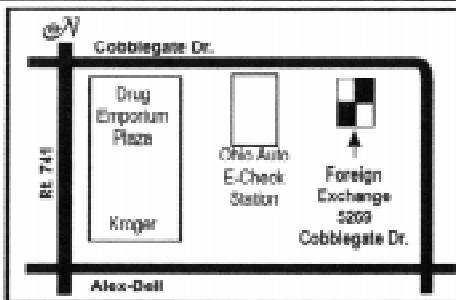


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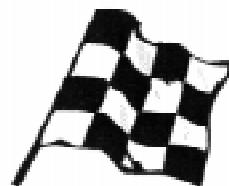
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