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by Mike Wright
Rev Record Editor

Last year was a great year for WOR. We saw renewed interest in Rallycross thanks in part to Jim Hardesty's rental Altima and to Allen and Amanda Dwire's continuing support of Smoke and Mirrors. Dave Rudy led the program to near record participation levels and profitability. If you check your February issue of SportsCar Magazine (pg 44), you'll also see that WOR is sponsoring a National Rallycross event on 22 June. Mark the date on your calendars and help Dave put on this event.

The Solo program was led by one of the newest, youngest and fastest WOR members and he showed that, not only can he drive the heck out of his car, he is also an extremely capable manager. Christian Moist took over the reins from outgoing Solo Chairperson Pam Poppe for 2007 and broke new ground for WOR by getting us the beautiful Adesa site. Last but not least, Starla McCauley proved her abilities as a leader by organizing one of the best-attended regional races in the Great Lakes Division. I'm referring to the 42nd Annual WOR Games, of course.

The club held elections at the November meeting. Elections were controlled under the watchful eye of Assistant RE, Everett McCauley, who was assisted by Frank Levinson, Debbie Rudy and Lois Bigler. Election results are listed on page two of the Rev Record. Appointed positions were affirmed by the 2008 WOR Board at the January membership meeting.

Looking forward to 2008, it's a new year, complete with new challenges for our little club. Let's look at what's up with each of the competition programs. In Solo, we're faced with the loss of the Nutter center. Our capable team of co-chairmen, Christian Moist and newcomer Frank "Paxinator" Levinson are already scouting for new Solo venues. If anyone in the Western Ohio Region knows of any large, deserted paved areas, please contact Christian or Frank. In Rally, we need to find a suitable site to host the National event in June. Also, due to popular demand, Dave Rudy will be reviving the Road Rally program. The first event is scheduled on the day of the Daytona 500 and is planned to be a bit of a socializing event. Last year's 500 Party was lots of fun, and with the addition of a Road Rally, this event should really be a hoot.

Finally, in the Club Racing program we lost some of our experienced leadership. Steve Colletti has agreed

to step into the large shoes left by outgoing WOR Games Chairperson Starla McCauley, while simultaneously performing the role of Membership Chairman. Steve will be helped by a committee composed of veterans Mike Edgerton, Jim Helm, Boris Tirpack and Steve Demeter, and rookies Jim Suhr, Christian Moist, Frank Levinson, and Joy and myself.

We will be sending our Regional Executive and our Publicity Chair to the convention in San Antonio, TX. Expect to see their reports in the Mar or Apr Rev.

We want to recognize a special advertiser and supporter of WOR. Mr. Rick Dobsen at Randd Associates is going to be the new printer of the Rev Record. We look forward to working with him to make future issue of the Rev Record even better looking than before. As always, we encourage our members to patronize the businesses that advertise in the Rev Record.

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by Steve Demeter
Regional Executive

RE Rantings...

1. We are solvent.
2. We have a TSD / Gimmick Rally scheduled for February, something we have not had in a long time. While I will not be able to participate, I will work the event wherever Dave needs me.
3. We have a WOR Games Chair, Steve Colletti, and a good committee to support him.
4. We have secured ADESA as a Solo Site thanks to Christian and Frank and thanks to Cincinnati Region for granting us permission to use a site in their geographical area.
5. Dave Rudy has a great Rallycross program planned, including a NATIONAL event.

These are the truly GREAT things happening in WOR, no thanks to the RE, but to the individuals on the board and area chairs.

We face a challenge of going forward with WOR Games without Starla McCauley, our longtime chair. We salute her for her efforts over the years and for giving us a good foundation to build off of. But with Steve at the helm and the committee members who stepped up, we will do fine.

Mike Edgerton and myself will be attending the National Convention on behalf of WOR. Anything that anyone would like brought up, please contact one or both of us and we will (or at least I will as Mike is much more of a gentleman than I) bring it to the attention of the appropriate individual (s). Ask anyone who was in the Town Hall last year if I will bring it up.

We have a great year planned, but if I could improve one area, it would be everyone getting along. Sure, when high performing people, such as we have lots of, get together there will be disagreements. If there were not, I would think that no one really cared. But let's all try to keep it out of the realm of personal and not attack each other. If you feel something needs to be questioned, question what the person is doing and not the person themselves. Remember, we are supposed to be having fun and no one has the right to attack someone personally, including yours truly.

Let's have another great year.

Membership News

It's been awhile since we recognized new WOR members and member anniversaries. We've got a bit of a backlog to report. Welcome and Happy Anniversary to the following members:

New members since August 2007:

Neil Hancock
 Bob Moore
 David Santel
 Elliot Sherwood
 Diane Sloan
 Michael Green
 Matt Juengel
 Daniel Triplett
 Shannon Hunt
 Michael Helm
 Andrew Stanford
 Pete Remner
 Reilich Family
 (Amy, Bill, Chris, David, Ricky)
 Joy Wright

Anniversaries in

November 2007 - February 2008

40 years: Jerry Martin
 30 years: Steve Demeter
 25 years: Warren Meyerhoeffer
 20 years: Jamie Beeson
 15 years: Bill Myers, Amid Shayesteh,
 Gordon Wishon, Katie Beeson, Megan Colletti
 10 years: Jeff Brown,
 Christopher Rudy, Terry Teeter

Mark Your Calendars

- 7-9 Feb SCCA 2008 National Convention, San Antonio
- 12 Feb WOR Membership meeting - Christopher Club
- 17 Feb TSD Rally and 500 Party, Kicker's
- 23-24 Feb Kumho ECS, Road Atlanta
- 8 Mar GLDiv Spring Training, Toledo, OH
- 29 Mar Lake Erie Communications Seminar, Mansfield
- 19-20 Apr GLDiv Driver's School, Nelson Ledges
- 22 Jun WOR RallyCross National Event



by Pam Poppe
Secretary

WOR Board Meeting Minutes for January 3, 2008

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. The RE called for budget reports. **Rally Chair:** working on budget and schedule at this time and will e-mail to all when completed. **Solo Chair:** budget copies were passed out to all board members present. Solo will be holding 8 events according to budget.

Currently working on schedule and sites. Side note: entrants per event averaged 53 for the year 2007. **Road Race Chair:** working on budget. Looking to be the same as last year. **Secretary:** budget for a notebook. **Publicity Chair:** same as last year. **Rev Record Editor:** budget copies given out. Pam made a suggestion about off setting the cost of the Rev record. Suggested looking into a laser printer for the club. Look for more advertisers to help fund the Rev. All suggestions welcomed. **Treasurer:** Not present. **Activities Chair:** Not present. **Membership Chair:** Not present **Rally Chair:** TSD Rally Feb 17th. Budget? Entry fee 10.00 to 15.00 per car, 2 people per car, Ending point at Kickers. National RallyCross June 22 site TBA. Road rallies 2-3 this year. See web site for more information. **Solo/Web:** board information up to date. Budget for web site will make a little money. **Assistant RE:** no report at this time. **RE:** Steve will be going to Texas for the SCCA National Convention in Feb. The assistant Re Boris is unable to attend, suggestion was made that Mike Edgerton go in his place. Mike agreed to go. RE will pick up 3 solo books and 1 GCR at the Convention. The club is still seeking a WOR Games chair at this time. Options: 1. Find a chair. 2. Do not hold WOR Games this year. 3. Let Cincy region pick up our date this year only. Pam was asked to get an outline for WOR Games from Starla. **Old business:** NONE. **New Business:** NONE. A motion was made to adjourn, second, meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m. Respectfully submitted, Pam Poppe

Membership Meeting Minutes for January 8, 2008

Meeting was called to order at 7: 45 p.m. **Treasurer:** not present. **Assistant RE:** no report. **Secretary:** nothing to report at this time. **Road Race Chair:** not present. **Rally Chair:** working on schedule dates. Will start in April. National Rally Cross in June site TBA. TSD Rally in Feb and Mar. See web site for further information. **Publicity Chair:** no report. **Membership Chair:** no report or budget. **Rev Record Editor:** deadline is Friday for all reports. **Solo Chair:** working on schedule and site locations. Will have schedule out by mid Feb. Reminder: Kart race in January. See website for all information. **Web Master:** doing great. Site will make money. **Activities Chair:** not present. No budget at this time available. **General discussion:** suggested the club look into getting a laser printer as a way of cutting the cost of the Rev Record. Steve was looking into the cost. Trying to get more advertisers. Going online only with the Rev Record which has been tried before. Joy countered with online versus printed copies. Advertisers may not keep their ads if the Rev goes online. Joy to look into other possibilities. **RE Report:** Race chair declined position after election was held. RE contacted many club members to be WOR Games Chair. But no one would step up. Steve Colletti said he would step in if no one else would. A page from the GCR was passed out with information regarding race chair's responsibilities. Options: 1. No Race Chair, no WOR Games. 2. Give date to Cincy for this year only. 3. No WOR Games this year. RE called for a volunteer for WOR Games Chair; Steve Colletti answered with I'll do it, provided I get lots of help from everyone. **Old business:** none. **New Business:** Everett McCauley raised the question why last year's treasurer was asked to sign checks tonight. Steve replied that the new treasurer has not picked up the records and club computer and has not been to the bank for the transfer. Steve will be meeting with Lauren this Saturday to take care of this. RE stated he would be signing checks if needed. Everett's second question, has the board voted on the appointed positions at this time - no we have not. Steve officially appointed **Web Master:** Christian Moist. **Publicity Chair:** Mike Edgerton. **Rev Record Editor:** Mike Wright. **WOR Games Chair:** Steve Colletti. Steve called for a vote from all board members present. Vote: 4 yes, 1 abstained. WOR Games Chair and committee will meet following the close of the general meeting. Motion was made to adjourn, second, vote taken, meeting adjourned. Respectfully submitted, Pam Poppe



by Christian Moist
Solo Co-Chair

February Solo Driver Spotlight

David Santel started soloing with WOR in 2007. In his first season racing, he fought for and captured a championship in the very competitive A-Stock class. We sat down with David to ask him some questions about racing.



Name:
David Santel
Age: 24
Profession:
In-Home Services
Manager for
Entertainment
Solutions
(aka home theater
retail)

When did you first get interested in autocrossing?

I've always known about it, but decided to actually get into it as soon as I purchased my Z4 back in May 07.

What kind of car do you compete with, what class do you compete in, & what are your car's main strengths in your opinion?

I have an '04 BMW Z4 3.0i, I run in A-Stock, and I find that my car is very predictable in its handling, so it is an awesome car for someone such as myself who is just getting into the sport.

Are you planning any set-up changes to your car in the near future?

I got rid of the run-flat tires already for non-runflats, which is a temporary fix until I get through an Evo school and feel I'm ready for r-compounds. Other than that, just getting a new alignment with some negative camber.

What is it about autocrossing that keeps you interested?

I could ramble on forever about this one, but in short, I love that I can push my car with minimal risk, learn to be a far better driver, and the friendships that I've already made in my first half season.

What advice would you give to a friend who is just starting out and wants to get better?

Ask a ton of questions and listen to what other people have to say. Never believe that you've got the best time possible out of your car, there's always room for improvement.

When soloing, what techniques do you use to memorize or visualize the course?

I walk the course at least 4 times before the novice driver's walk. I picture myself in the car and try to estimate how fast I will be going where. I then sit and run through the course in my mind over and over.

I know you have owned several cool cars. What is the favorite car you have owned?

I love my Z4 the most as a driver's car, but I think my 328Ci was probably the "coolest" car I've owned. It got the most thumbs up on the highway :)

So if you could have any autocross ride imaginable, what would it be and why?

Easily a Lotus Exige S. I've always wanted one even before autocrossing, and now I just keep thinking how amazing that car must be to fling around in second gear.

So aside from karting, what do you enjoy doing when not racing?

I'm really into photography actually. That's been a big hobby of mine for a few years now. If it's nice out, I'm also usually at the dog park with my black lab Jager.

And finally, it sounds like you'll be back to defend your title next season. Do you have any other specific goals?

I'll definitely be back. My goal is to gain enough experience and skill that I can throw on some Kumho's without hiding any bad habits, then compete with some of the faster A-Stock cars running race tires.



by Dave Rudy
Rally Chair

Rally Report

As the 2008 Rallycross season approaches (actually is here) there is not much to talk about. The schedule is being worked on and sites and sponsors are being talked to. So not much to report on.

The 2007 season saw entries rise a bit over 2006. There were a lot of new faces at our events. AND we had the Rental Altima. The Altima helped WOR's Rallycross bottom line, thanks to Jim Hardesty for providing the rental.

A list of award winners should be elsewhere in this issue of the Rev. And you will notice them at events because of the very cool t-shirts that were their awards. Thanks to Jason McCauley for the artwork and Christian Moist for getting them made.

As for the 2008 season, I am planning for 9 to 10 events. Right now all of the events are scheduled for Smoke and Mirrors, but we are pursuing other sites as well. The big daddy will be the National Rallycross Challenge event planned for June.

Besides Rallycross I am planning several TSD Road Rallies for 2008 with the first being the Rally to the 500 on February 17 in Waynesville. It is going to be a simple TSD with some mileages and a few questions to answer to make it interesting. After the rally everyone is welcome to hang out and watch the Daytona 500 at the restaurant.

Rally to the 500

This is a simple TSD Road Rally with written instructions, a time rule, and some bonus questions to make things interesting. It ends with a gathering to watch the Daytona 500.

When: 17 February 2008

Where: Kicker's Sport Grill, 7576 State Route 48, Waynesville, OH 45068

Registration: 11:30am

Driver's Meeting: 12:30pm

First Car Off: 1:01pm

First Car Finish: 3:00pm (approx)



Rally General Instructions, Rules and Forms will be posted on the website as soon as they are available.

Registration for the Rally is at Registration Table the day of rally.

Entry fees are \$15/car member and \$20/car non-member.

The new SCCA Member Rules are in effect for this event.



WOR's Daytona 500 Party at Kicker's following rally.
Please RSVP to Dave Rudy @ 937-545-2995 for the Party ONLY.

THE EDGERTON REPORT



by Mike Edgerton
Automotive Edge

Detroit Cattle Call

Once again, three past Regional Executives of WOR braved the frozen tundra and BS in Detroit to bring you inside the North American International Auto Show (NAIAS).

I joined with Tom Baggott and Larry Miller to witness the running of 120 Texas Longhorns in front of Cobo Hall to introduce a “new” Dodge Ram pickup truck. Wonder why they didn’t use sheep?

Exhibitors seem torn between “mean and green.” GM exhibited a Cadillac concept billed as “the fastest 4-door sedan in the world.”

They also are trying to generate interest in their electric, plug-in vehicles. Only Fisker can claim mean and green for the same car but it will cost you about \$80,000.



We also got the privilege of viewing the offerings from five different Chinese auto manufacturers. No style or substance, but I remember when the Japanese cars looked like they were made out of old G.I. beer cans. Now look at them.

Also, the Chinese must learn how to translate their literature into a readable version of the English language if they have any hope of marketing vehicles in the USA.

My favorite car at the show was the Audi R8 with a V-12 turbo-diesel engine. All I want is a couple of laps around Mid-Ohio with the Audi. Probably won’t happen.

In between boring press conferences, we enjoyed fine dining on such delicacies as lemon-thyme halibut with black olive tapenade and veal tenderloin with red wine gravy and

spatzle. We really liked the chili-chocolate brownie with blood orange sauce. Thanks Mercedes and Audi. GM had coney islands & french fries. We didn’t.



Photos on cover and pgs 8 -9 courtesy of Mike Edgerton, The Automotive Edge - Photojournalism for the Sport & Industry.
top right: Ferrari model. middle left: Ferrari 430 Scuderia. middle right: A Chinese car.
bottom: Quiz time: Can you name the make and model of this car?



top right:
Mazda concept.
middle left:
Former WOR RE's
Larry Miller and
Tom Baggott.
middle right:
Audi R8 V-12
Turbo Diesel Concept.
bottom:
Hyundai Genesis Coupe.





by Richard Docken
Porsche Enthusiast

WOW! That sums up my experience at the Rennsport III, November 2-4, 2007. For someone who was first exposed to Porsche by the movie "LeMans" and who thinks the world revolves around Porsche and the 911, this event was pure heaven.

My first impression of the event was the venue. Daytona International Speedway is HUGE. To illustrate, Daytona is so big that its infield road course section could just about cover the track at Mid-Ohio. Even though the Rennsport was a big event, it didn't feel big at Daytona.

The banking dominates Daytona. When I saw cars on the banking, my first thought was, "How do the bike racers do it?" It is that intimidating! The banking rises and falls like a roller coaster: up as you enter turn three and through turn four; down nearly flat as you exit turn four; and then up again to the banking for the tri-oval.



From the advance billing, I knew that this was a "must go" event. The various press releases and related articles leading up to Rennsport III indicated that 20 Porsche 917 types and 30 Porsche 956/962 types were expected to be

there. From my count, that was right on the mark. If those were the only cars that showed up, I would have been content beyond all measure. But there was so much more. There were 911 race cars of every

type, covering the entire history of that iconic mark, as well as a surprisingly healthy presentation of 356's. This was certainly the air-cooled Porsche enthusiast's dream.

There was virtually unlimited access to everything and for everybody—race cars and drivers, racing, Concours, and parades; autograph sessions, a swap meet, and a display of each make and type of Porsche road car. You really had to be on your toes to take advantage of all the opportunities, but each activity was so overwhelming that if you could only do one thing, you would still come away satisfied. I took lots of notes and pictures so that I would have a fairly comprehensive record of the whole event. But there was SO much that happened that, as I write this article a week after the event, things are still popping to mind that I didn't record.

Every Porsche 917 at Rennsport III had some historical connection. It's hard not to have significance when only a handful of cars are built (thanks FIA!) There were two Gulf 917's, a collec-



tion of short-and long-tail Martini cars finished in both "normal" and hippie paint schemes, and David Piper's car in its resplendent green finish. There were many one of a kind 917's, too: the LeMans-winning Team Austria red #23, the magnesium framed white Martini #22, the 917/20 Pink Pig, Mark Donohue's Sunoco 917-30 Can Am spyder, the North American 917PA 12-cylinder version and its European counterpart, fitted with the 16-cylinder engine. Imagine trying to tune that beast!

One highlight of my 917 experience was being about two feet away from Chris McAllister's Gulf-liveried 917 each day when the mechanic started up the engine to get it ready for on-track action. At idle, it sounded just like a 911 (sewing machine, sort of a rattle/clatter effect), only with a deeper and louder undertone and a



photo left: Daytona Banking, Turn 3/4. top: The 917-20 "Pink Pig." above: Chris McAllister's Gulf Porsche 917.

rhythmic, staccato-like pulsating overtone. I should have expected the engine to sound as it did; after all, it is like two 911 engines fused together (why wouldn't it sound like a 911?). I wasn't the only one seduced by the siren call of this engine, as quite a crowd would gather quickly and just stand and watch each time the engine was fired up, letting the audio effect totally soak in. Mm-mm!

The other, and greater, highlight was getting to meet over a dozen 917 racing drivers at the autograph session. Fortunately, the person in front of me did not heed the instructions and brought a number of items for autographing, which bogged things down considerably. That gave me the chance of a lifetime to have a brief conversation with each of the drivers. What a thrill it was to be able to talk to these now "elder statesmen" of the sport about their experiences both in and out of the car. Who knows if an opportunity like this will ever happen again?



The collection of 956 and 962 cars was impressive but I wasn't quite as moved by these cars as I was the 917's. Perhaps this was because Porsche and associates provided so many customer cars that they in a sense became "commodity" vehicles, or that the turbo muted the engine sound, or that a few seemed to have been updated "out of



photos on pages 10-12 courtesy of Richard Docken. left: David Piper and a fan. above: Holbert's Lowenbrau Porsche 962. below: Factory "Team Rothman's" 956.



period." Regardless, the cars of this group that you would expect to see at this event were indeed there. These included the factory Rothman's cars, the Joest Newman car, Al Holbert's Lowenbrau cars (103 and HR1), Rob Dyson's 962-101, Bob Akin's Coca-Cola 962, and two Busby Miller cars, among many others.

The (very) large collection of 911 race cars provided a comprehensive study in Porsche aerodynamic

development. There were many examples of each type—plain Jane's, ducktails, and whale tails; the outlandish 3.8 turbo RSR with its monster wing; and a variety of 935's which made for their own study in aerodynamic evolution. Examples of these included the relatively neat and tidy Martini, Interscope, and Ivey Racing 935's, the more developed JLP Racing and Bob Akin interpretations, and the radical Swap Shop "Moby Dick." (story continued on page 12)



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The racing was what you might expect for a vintage event. Some of the drivers were “on it” and provided good action. Others drivers rightly chose to carefully make their way around the track so as to preserve their priceless, historic mounts.

As I left warm and sunny Florida on Monday to head back to cold and gray Dayton, I couldn't help but wonder what it would have been like if a couple of vintage Ferrari, Ford, and Jaguar sports racers had been invited to give the event a little extra historic context? Who knows? Also, I wonder what the next event will be like, what with the age of the drivers, the logistics involved in getting cars to and from the event, and so on? Regardless, I plan on being there, November 2010.

Lastly, but most importantly, many people worked very hard, or sacrificed to make this a truly remarkable event. The Daytona track staff and workers were professional, helpful, and courteous. The facility was in tip top shape and was always clean. Brian Redman and his group, and the PCA need to be commended for the planning and coordinating that was required to get the cars and stars and supporting casts to Florida. And, finally, to the owners of all the cars and to the drivers for coming out: THANKS!



*photo top left: Porsche Turbo RSR. top right: Porsche 911 IROC.
middle: Martini Racing Porsche 935. bottom: Preston Henn's "Moby Dick."*

Calling All WOR Members!

Have a story you'd like to share? Send it in. It could be a favorite auto-themed vacation, do-it-yourself racing project, first-hand account of training or a racing experience, anything you like. We are looking forward to sharing YOUR photos and stories...



by Steve Colletti
WOB Games Chair

New Track and Race Series for 2008

We have a new race series in the SCCA called the Kumho Endurance Championship Series and it consists of four races, three of which have existed on their own for years and have a following (www.kumhoecs.com). Myself and some DC region people and more that I don't know of have suggested that this series happen but it is Roland Hahn that has been the prime mover to make this series viable. The first race is scheduled to be run at Road Atlanta February 24, and it is the Petit Petit and is five hours in length. The second is 12 Hrs at the Point Summit Point West Virginia, the third is The longest Day at Nelson Ledges 24 Hr race August 22-24, last is the Charge of the Headlight Brigade 13Hr race at Virginia International Raceway. This series is open to national and regional racers with IT cars who want to drive enduro style events. If anyone wants more info on this series please use the link above to the Kumho race series website or contact me at 937-294-1533 or vinnyvtek0627@ameritech.net.

photo right: Tony Colletti with NASCAR driver Carl Edwards.

Also new in 2008 will be the new track being built in Sparta, Kentucky. Bluegrass Motorsports Club and Road course (www.drivebluegrass.com) is being built on the same model as VIR and Autobahn, tracks which combine a Road course and country club with memberships at different levels that offer track time to its members. The track will host different style events such as Marque club track days by Porsche and BMW clubs, SCCA racing and PDX's, racing and track days from other sanctioning bodies such as NASA and involvement from local manufacturers. For more information on Bluegrass Motorsports Club please go to the website above or contact Norm Falick normfalick@fuse.net at 513-604-6657. All in all 2008 looks like a great year to be a motorhead in the Midwest and belong to SCCA.



Contingency Programs for the SCCA 2008 Club Racing Season

TOPEKA, Kan. (Dec. 21, 2007) – With the continued support of major manufacturers and suppliers, the 2008 Sports Car Club of America Club Racing season offers a wealth of contingency programs to racers.

BMW, GM Performance Division, Mazda, Subaru, Toyota and Volkswagen all return with strong programs in 2008. BMW, GM, Mazda, Subaru and Volkswagen will each pay awards to the top three finishers at Club National events in their program's selected classes and additional bonuses topping \$1,000 for Divisional Champions. Toyota will pay \$800 to GT-2 and GT-3 race winners, and \$400 to winners in an additional seven classes.

Summit Racing Equipment continues to support E Production, GT-1, American Sedan, Touring 1, Touring 2, Showroom Stock B and Showroom Stock C with payouts to the top four finishers, including \$100 for the race winner.

Tire manufacturers Hoosier, Hankook, Goodyear, Kumho and Toyo are all back on board for 2008. Hoosier Racing Tire and Goodyear will both award race winners with two free tires for a victory in selected classes. Hoosier will also give a tire to second place finishers. Kumho Tires will post in nine National classes in 2008, paying \$700 for a win, \$500 for a runner-up finish and \$200 for a third-place finish. For the ever-popular SM

class, Toyo Tires will again pay all the way through 10th place, with race winners receiving \$350.

In addition to their Club National contingency programs, Hankook, Kumho and Volkswagen are also posting Regional programs.

Competitors must pre-register to participate in contingency programs. Earnings for each of the 2008 SCCA Club Racing contingency programs must be properly claimed via fax or postal mail.

For more details about each Club Racing contingency program and to download the required forms, visit www.scca.com/club.

The 2007 WOR Awards Banquet and Dinner, Dance in review...

Held on 8 December 2007 at The Christopher Club. Forty-one people attended. The food was great, Prime Rib and all the fixin's. The Christopher Club looked spectacular in it's Silver Bells theme thanks to Starla and Pam and their little elves. Thanks to Joy Wright everyone went home with a gift donated by some generous businesses (see box on the next page). Number of guys who used the silver tree centerpieces to imitate Madonna: just one, and he's a RallyCROSSer. Number of people who fell down on the dance floor: one, and she's a RallyCROSSer. The furthest traveller came all the way from Cleveland and he too is a RallyCROSSer. Number of Racers in attendance: only one, and he is the RE. Hope to see you all at the 2008 Banquet!

2007 Solo Season Winners:

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| 1st | CS | Carl McClure |
| 1st | DS | Frank Levinson |
| 1st | ES | Ken Moist |
| 1st | GS | Tom Geisheimer |
| 1st | HS | Jim Suhr |
| 1st | BSL | Shannon Hunt |
| 1st | CSL | Suzanne Triplett |
| 1st | ESL | Pam Poppe |
| 1st | GSL | Lisa Geisheimer |
| 1st | STU | Duane Simons |
| 1st | SM | Christian Moist |

All Solo winners received jackets as their trophies this year.

Western Ohio Region Membership Awards

The 2007 WOR Banquet was a success as many soloists, rallyists and road racers attended for wine, prime rib, dancing and awards. Aside from the solo and rally awards, several special awards were presented to deserving members...

Dan Coughnour was awarded the *Driver of the Year* award. This is awarded to the driver who has a great season and represents WOR's dedication to their amateur road racing program.

Jim Hardesty was awarded the *Ned Kamp Award*. This is the most prestigious award WOR presents, given to a WOR member that is a consummate volunteer, one who is always working to make WOR better and more fun for all of us.

Christian Moist was awarded the *Joann Burke Memorial Worker of the Year* award. Joanne epitomized the spirit and intent of this award in the enthusiasm she had as a volunteer in all aspects of WOR. This is given in recognition of overall dedication to all aspects of WOR -- racing, solo, rally or the club in general.

Lois and Don Bigler and Starla McCauley received the *Nancy Davis Award*. Nancy dedicated 40 years to working on the WOR Games as a chairman, registrar, committee member, doing whatever she could to make it a successful, safe and fun event. This award goes to a club member that works WOR Games and gives enthusiastically to make the race a success while expecting nothing in return.

Frank Levinson was awarded the *Tom Burke Award*. Tom enthusiastically welcomed everyone to WOR, & actively recruited new members, because he loved the club and wanted others to experience the fun of the club. This award is given to recognize a new member who becomes actively involved in the club and demonstrates that same spirit.

Rex Gunning was awarded the *Bob Kimes Memorial Driving Spirit Award*, which is given to a racer who while having a great season, also enthusiastically participates and contributes significantly in other areas of the club.

Mike and Joy Wright were awarded the *President's Award*.

Retha Tirpack was awarded the *Horse's Ass Award* for measuring an exhaust pipe temperature with her bare finger.

Congratulations to all the champions and thanks to all who attended! We can't wait to see you in the spring



by Dave Rudy
Rally Chair

I would like to thank all of you that came to the 2007 WOR Awards Banquet and Dinner Dance. Rallycross seemed to dominate those in attendance and good times were had by all.

2007 Rallycross Season Winners:

| | | |
|------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <i>SA Class Champion</i> Matt Nichols | <i>PA Class Champion</i> Kyle Kreitzer | <i>2nd Class SF</i> Amanda Dwire |
| <i>PF Class Champion</i> Tim Spellman | <i>2nd Class M2</i> Pete Remner | <i>1st Class RC</i> Dave Rudy |
| <i>2nd Class PF</i> Lori Rensing | <i>M4 Class Champion</i> Dan Coughnour | <i>2nd Class RC</i> Jim Hardesty |
| <i>3rd Class PF</i> Neil Hancock | <i>SF Class Champion</i> Allen Dwire | |

I hope the awards that I gave out were a good choice and I hope everyone enjoys them. I gave awards out for the RC Class even though I said I would not. It just helped with the order count AND I really wanted one.

Awards presented by Dave Rudy (with the support of Jose Cuervo) - Assisted by Debby Rudy.
Year end award design by Jason McCauley. Ordering, Delivery and Fine Tuning by Christian Moist.

And a big THANKS to Wagner Subaru for their generous sponsorship.

Thanks to all for a very exciting and adventurous 2007.

THANK YOU!

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