

Northwestern Ohio Region Sports Car Club of America

Clutch Chatter

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Northwestern Ohio Regional News:

- **NWOR Still Needs You.** We still have a couple of Chief positions that need to be filled for the 2010 Solo season. All these positions count as a work assignment, thus you won't have to go out and work course, etc. If you're interested in any of these positions, or know anybody whom might be, get in touch with Bryan.
 - **Waiver Chief** - I need a person to help Andrew Blasiman. Job responsibilities include manning or finding someone to man the gate at solo events to ensure that the waivers are getting signed by everybody. You also collect all the signed waivers at the end of the event and ensure that they all have signatures on them at the bottom.
 - **Registration Chief** - Show up to the event early enough to get registration setup, then work registration and find other workers to help with registration.
- The Social Director position is also still open. Responsibilities include setting up the monthly meetings and setting up the year end banquet. You can also setup other social events (games, meets, etc) if you feel like it.
- Several members made the long trip down to Georgia to run in the Dixie National Tour Event in Cecil. From a quick review of the results I see that Jack Burns finished in 1st in H stock and Greg McCance finished 1st in E Street Prepared. Robert Christmas and Charina Hanson finished 4th and 6th in E Prepared respectively.
- Phil Schmidt conducted a Safety Steward training session on May 1st. Four people attended.
- **NWOR 2010 Service Projects** Gail Peery has requested our support for three charities this year. 1. Providing non-food-stamp needed items for clients of the Lutheran Social Services Food Pantry. 2. Providing canned goods for Food Service at the Cherry Street Mission. 3. Providing phone answering service to WGTE, Channel 30, PBS pledge drives. Following are needed Food Pantry items: Toilet Paper, Hand Soap, Bath Soap, Dish Soap, Laundry Soap, Shampoo, Kleenex, Tooth Paste, Tooth Brushes, Sanitary Supplies, Disposable Razors, Deodorant, Small bottles and items from hotels and motels are welcome. These items will be collected at each of the events and at the monthly meetings. Please help us support these charities if you can.
- Congratulations to those who helped to run last years Divisional Event at the Airport. We were given an award for having the Divisional Series of the 2009 Season in the Great Lakes Division.
- The May 16th Event is now a two day Event. There has been a change made to add Saturday, May 15th to the may 16th Event at the Airport. You can sign up for either day individually at normal price or sign up for both days and receive a \$10 discount on your entry. The events will be scored with each day as an individual event.
- Our first solo event is now history. There was a good turn out in spite of the weather forecast and things remained fairly dry until the middle of the last heat when the bottom fell out, forcing the event to end prematurely. We would like to give special thanks to those who stuck around and helped to pack things up in the rain. See the results elsewhere in the Clutch Chatter.
- Hilary Anderson finished 14th in the Pro class at Cincinnatti's 1st event on 4/18.
- As usual a large number of our members ran in the NORA event at Northfield Park on 4/18. In the Pro class J. Souder finished 4th, R. Christmas was 7th, T. Carritte 15th, SM class had D. Sutton 1st and E. Bradburry 10th, B. Carritte was 2nd in CSP, M. Biddle 9th in STX, and in the Standard class B. Cummings was 2nd and J. Bradburry 4th.
- April 25th NEO Region held an event and J. Blumenthal finished with FTD, 1st in PAX and in FM, with B. Cummings 3rd in PAX and 1st in CS, J. Storm 1st in FP, M. Porschke 2nd in FP, S. Hearne 1st in HS, and M. Biddle 1st in SMF.
- On 5/2 at the NORA event #2, T. Carritte was 4th in Pro with F. Heller 8th and M Biddle 9th, B. Cummings was 1st in Standard class.
- On 5/2 at the Kruse Event #2 for the Ft. Wayne Region, N. Blakeman finished 1st in CSP.

Great Lakes Divisional News:

NEWS FROM THE CO-DIVISIONAL SOLO STEWARDS FOR GREAT LAKES DIVISION!

The 2010 Great Lakes Series Schedule

- **June 5-6** **SBR@ Grissom Aeroplex, Peru, IN** online registration will be at motorsportreg.com
- **June 18-20** **INR@ Majestic Star Casino, Gary, IN** online registration will be at motorsportreg.com
- **July 10-11** **DET@Wurthmuth AFB, Oscoda, MI** online registration will be at MyAutoEvents.com
- **August 6-8, @ Grissom Aeroplex, Peru, IN – GLDiv Solo Divisional Championship** online registration will be at MyAutoEvents.com

The Series Bulletin will again be online at www.soloseries.org in order to keep the costs down. You will find all of the Series flyers, contact information, event results, year-to-date-points and articles on recent events.

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National News:

SCCAGear welcomes you to our "Build Your Own Apparel Workshop". SCCAGear has worked hard to develop the most up to date manufacturing techniques to economically produce high quality embroidered garments, on demand. This allows you to select the exact garment you want and your choice of SCCA logo's with the option to even add personalization. This *on demand* production allows you the most selection, while keeping your prices low. Go to: http://www.sccagear.com/Build-Your-Own-Apparel_c_44.html

- National Tour at Wendover, Utah on 5/15 and 5/16
- Pro Solo at Wendover, Utah on 5/22 and 5/23
- National Tour at Blytheville, AR on 5/29 and 5/30. (<http://www.scca.com/Solo>).

Upcoming events:

- 5/23 NEO event #2 at Lakeland Community, College Kirkland, OH. Register on MyAutoEvents.com
- 5/23 Vettesports event #2 at IRG Lorain, OH. Register on MyAutoEvents.com.
- 5/23 NW Indiana Region event #2 at majestic Star Casino in Gary IN. Register on MotorsportsReg.com.
- 5/30 Ohio Valley Region has a school at OSU Ackerman Lot, Columbus, OH. Register on MotorsportsReg.com
- 5/30 Cincinnati Region event #3 at Kilkare Speedway. Register on MyAutoEvents.com
- 5/30 NORA/ASCC Akron has a charity event at Northfield Park. Register on racerslane.com
- 5/31 Ohio Valley Region event #3 at OSU Ackerman Lot, Columbus, OH. Register on MotorsportsReg.com
- 5/31 Detroit Region event at Belle Isle. Register on MyAutoEvents.com
- 5/31 Columbus Indiana Region event #4 at Walesboro Airport, Columbus, IN. Register on MyAutoEvents.com

Club Meeting Minutes Summary: *Respectfully submitted by Elaine Christmas, Recording Secretary* **NWOR-SCCA April Board Meeting**

Claddaugh Irish Pub

4/6/2010

Called to order: 7:30 pm by RE, Bryan Rawlins

Regional Executive: Insurance sanctions for all solo's have been sent in to the national office and the port-o-potties have been ordered. Cleaning and inventory of the van still needs to be done. We need cones, waivers (regular and minor), wristbands and weekend memberships. These will all need to be ordered.

In October there will be a Ronald McDonald Festival and car show and the committee is asking for a region member to be on the committee and help out. Gail Peery volunteered.

Asst Regional Executive: Kevin is now receiving the membership reports and we have about 220 members.

Treasurer: Current funds total is sufficient.

Corresponding Secretary: Emailed 200 Clutch Chatters and mailed about 60.

Recording Secretary: No report.

Directors: NWOR received the Divisional Series of the Year award from the 2009 season. Mark received it at the Spring Training held in Indy. It had a great turnout. On May 1st Mark will hold a safety school at the Holland Library at noon. A safety steward needs to attend a school every 3 years. In lieu of a monetary donation we are asking for canned goods or food pantry items instead. See Gail Peery's flier elsewhere in Clutch Chatter. We received our first solo site contingency plan for Chrysler from Bill Hull. He is working on one for the rest of the sites.

Robert proposed buying glassware as trophies instead of wood and seconded by Bryan. A max budget of \$250.00 was unanimously voted on. The Toledo Pro is currently up to date but will need more as we get closer. We will be evaluating how to address the national sound level rules that have gone into effect this year.

Solo: There was much discussion about the \$5.00 entry fee hike for this year. Some questions were raised as to why this was done. A breakdown of where monies are spent was discussed. Mark proposed that we give any new first time non-member a price break to a member entry fee. Robert seconded it. It was also discussed about how to identify chiefs and key people. Bryan proposed that we buy name badges and hats to identify these people to a max of \$150.00. It was seconded by Charina. An email was sent asking about an incentive for people who attend Nationals, this will probably be put to a general membership vote. Peg suggested that there be "X" number of dollars for a National Fund and that it is then split between the attendees evenly. It has all been tabled for the time being. Elaine proposed to pay someone to man the gate at Chrysler and Toledo Express events to assist the waiver chief. She will be making an inquiry of our person used at the Pro last year.

Social: We still need a social chair. We will be having the next 2 meetings (May 4th and June 1st) at Claddaugh. Elaine is looking into a new venue for the banquet for the 2010 season.

Public Affairs: Gail Peery provided fliers with the NWOR SCCA community service projects for 2010. She is asking for donations at all solos and meetings. The biggest need is toilet paper.

Old Business: There was another discussion about the need for weatherproof, smaller speakers that Larry has found. Robert proposed we spend \$260.00 for new speakers. It was seconded by Larry. Robert also proposed to spend \$1500.00 max on cones for this season and it was seconded by Bryan.

New Business: Charina asked if we as a region could help another less fortunate region. Sometime last year the Dixie Region had their trailer with all of their equipment stolen along with the RE's rig. Other regions have donated cash and Texas region has even donated their old trailer. She proposed we send them \$200.00 and it was seconded by Mark.

Adjourned: 9:20pm by Bryan Rawlins

NWOR-SCCA May Board Meeting

Claddaugh Irish Pub

5/4/2010

Called to order: 7:30 pm by RE, Bryan Rawlins

Regional Executive: Need to draft a letter from Robert to Fifth Third also signed by Charina to transfer signature authority to Bryan.

New laser printer purchased from a 12-hour special offer from Newegg. Cost was \$110.00 (regular \$300). The current Brother printer will be moved to backup and the big IBM scrapped.

(200) cones, (15) rule books, anniversary pins, helmet stickers, and waiver wristbands have been ordered from SCCA.

A motion to grant seasonal chiefs two free regional event entries of their choice for volunteering was proposed and passed. (Motioned by Bryan, Seconded by Robert, Passed unanimously.)

Still need a registration chief.

Asst Regional Executive: Kevin is now receiving the membership reports and we have 221 members.

Treasurer: Current funds are sufficient which does not include Paypal from first event. Some minor bills are still outstanding.

Corresponding Secretary: Preparing next Clutch Chatter. Anniversary pins to be mailed when pin order received.

Recording Secretary: No report.

Directors: The Safety School held on May 1st was led by Phil Schmidt who filled in at the last minute for Mark. If you renew your license with only the two event minimum, you must do it every year. However, with a school and five events, it will be good for three years.

List of (20) workers submitted for the Toledo Pro to allow for their entries to be included on the registration list before the cap is reached.

Larry K. received the new speakers before the first event, however, we all concluded that they were not up to the task. He has returned them and purchased horns similar to the old ones that can be mounted in boxes.

Glassware (pilsner style with club logo) as trophies have been received and shown to group. We have a beginning inventory of (72). Ten SCCA Solo hats were given out to key people at first event. We also have name tags that say "Ask Me" on them.

A motion to order (6) more SCCA Solo hats and nametags. Motion: Robert, Second: Bryan, Passed unanimously.

Solo: (76) at first event. So far registration for the two day event is (6) for Sat., (13) for Sun., and (53) for both.

Set up for the next event will be at 3:00 pm on Friday May 14th.

Need a checklist of worker positions for the Worker Chiefs.

Street Survival will be planned for next year. Cap is (25). Classroom space is our biggest issue. ½ are in class while the other ½ is on course. The Airport is the best site with maybe a tent for classroom. It would be held on Saturday before a regular event.

Social: We still need a social chair. We will be having the meetings through October at Claddaugh.

Elaine looked into two new venues for the banquet for the 2010 season; El Camino and The Blarney Bullpen. Question is whether to have the banquet in November or January. An informal poll will be put on "Unofficial Forums".

Public Affairs: Gail reported that October 9 will be the Ronald McDonald Festival and Car Show. She attended the first meeting of the committee. They want (200) cars. Registration will be \$8 in advance or \$10 day of the show, both of which are tax deductible. We need automotive type suppliers for door prizes. We also need to put the word out to other car clubs.

Adjourned: 8:24pm by Bryan Rawlins

NWOR 2010 Schedules:

Member Meetings are held first Tuesday each Month at 6:30 PM unless noted:

- 6/1 Claddagh Irish Pub in Franklin Park Mall (5001 Monroe St, Toledo, OH)
- 7/6 Claddagh Irish Pub in Franklin Park Mall (5001 Monroe St, Toledo, OH)
- 8/3 Claddagh Irish Pub in Franklin Park Mall (5001 Monroe St, Toledo, OH)
- 9/7 Claddagh Irish Pub in Franklin Park Mall (5001 Monroe St, Toledo, OH)
- 10/5 Claddagh Irish Pub in Franklin Park Mall (5001 Monroe St, Toledo, OH)
- 11/2 Claddagh Irish Pub in Franklin Park Mall (5001 Monroe St, Toledo, OH)
- 12/7 Claddagh Irish Pub in Franklin Park Mall (5001 Monroe St, Toledo, OH)

Solo Events: Locations to be determined. Keep an eye on the NWOR web site for updates (<http://www.nworscca.com>).

- 5/15 Event #2 Toledo Express Airport Limit 250
- 5/16 Event #3 Toledo Express Airport Limit 250
- 6/13 Event #4 Toledo Express Airport Limit 250
- 6/27 Event #5 Chrysler Toledo Machining Limit 200
- 7/16-18 ProSolo Toledo Airport
- 7/25 Event #6 Honeywell Plant, Fostoria
- 8/1 NORA/SCCA Challenge Northfield Park
- 8/7-8 Great Lakes Divisional Championships Grissom Aeroplex Peru, Indiana
- 8/15 Event #7 The Tiffin Mall Limit 150
- 8/29 Event #8 Toledo Express Airport Limit 250
- 9/26 Event #9 Chrysler Toledo Machining Limit 200
- 10/10 Event #10 Honeywell Plant, Fostoria?