



# Chicago Region, SCCA

## Piston Patter Newsletter

### July 2022

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Dear George,

Welcome to the July 2022 Piston Patter Newsletter. The **Quick Links** on the left will allow you to easily connect to the Region website for detailed information on the various Region activities.

If you have any event or personal interest articles for the Newsletter, please contact Peg Ball at 815-679-6780.

### **[2022](#)** **[Event Calendar](#)**

**July 17, 2022**  
Solo Event #5  
Route 66 Raceway

**July 29, 2022**  
Track Day Event #4  
Autobahn

**August 27, 2022**  
Time Trials  
Road America

**August 27-28, 2022**  
Kettle Double regional  
Race  
Road America

**August 28, 2022**  
Geneva Concours  
Geneva, IL

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## RE Marks

### **June Sprints**

Another June Sprints has gone by. And what a June Sprints it was. Over 350 cars participated in the 3-day event. And we were proud to have John Doonan as our Grand Marshall and a big thank you to John for coming out in the middle of his busy IMSA schedule. Also at the Sprints was Mike Cobb our National SCCA President & CEO and a thanks to him for coming out as well. And as a plus we had a significant increase in spectator attendance this year. Also, a special thanks to all the workers who make this event possible and to all the specialty chiefs who keep it all organized. Again, proving that this is “not just another race”.

### **Street Survival**

The Solo Committee is planning our Chicago Region Street Survival event at Route 66 Dragway, our Solo Home, on July 16th. We will be looking for volunteers to help put on the event. We will need registration, driver coaches, and course workers. Sign up here:

<https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/tire-rack-teen-driving-street-survival-workers-rt-66-raceway-scca-chicago-996566>

Also, information on how to sign up your son or daughter for Street survival here:

<https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/chicago-scca-22-1-route-66-raceway-tire-rack-street-survival-393778>

### **Board Nominations**

The Board of Director Nomination Committee has started their activities to fill the 3 open board seats for next year. If you are interested in becoming a board member or learning about the board. Please contact Chris Gregor or Peter LaSueur. Their contact information is on our website.

### **SCCA Presidents Update**

I encourage everyone to see Mike Cobb and teams' presentation on accomplishments and changes in the organization in the past 6 months. If you have not seen it, click this link:

<https://my.scca.com/eweb/DynamicPage.aspx?Site=scca&WebKey=64cfd321-7e4d-4543-a250-021375411540>

Roger Vilmur



**June 17-19, 2022**

### **Provisional Sunday's Hoosier Super Tour Winners**

\*American Sedan: Andrew McDerimid, Howell, Michigan, Ford Mustang

\*B-Spec: Joseph Gersch, Conroe, Texas, Toyota Yaris

E Production: Jon Brakke, Scottsdale, Arizona, BMW Z3

F Production: Ken Kannard, Sebring, Florida, Acura Integra

H Production: Christopher Schaafsma, Wheaton, Illinois, Volkswagen Golf GTI

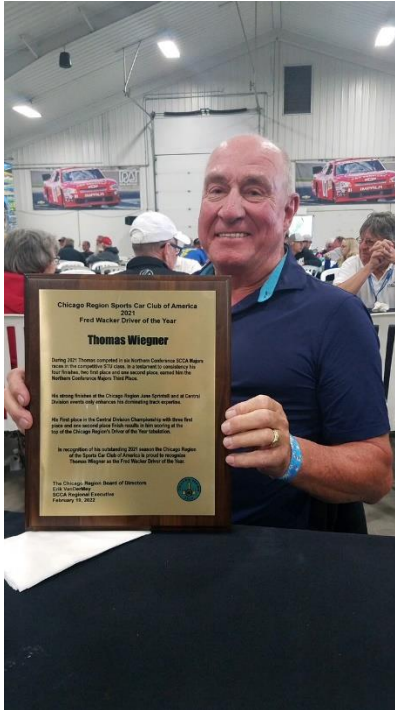
GT-1: Cliff Ebben, Appleton, Wisconsin, Ford Mustang  
GT-2: Daniel Bender, Northbrook, Illinois, Chevrolet Camaro  
\*GT-3: George Cichon, Caledonia, Illinois, Mazda RX-7  
\*GT-X: Grayson Farischon, Arcadia, Oklahoma, BMW M4 GT4  
\*Formula 500: James Weida, West Lafayette, Indiana, Scorpion W1/Rotax  
Formula Atlantic: Steve Forrer, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Swift 016/Mazda  
Formula Continental: Michael Varacins, Burlington, Wisconsin, Van Diemen F2000  
\*Formula Enterprises 2: Bailey Monette, Milton, Georgia, Formula Enterprises/Mazda  
Formula F: Tim Kautz, St. Charles, Illinois, Piper DF3D/Honda  
Formula Vee: Steve Whitston, Hutto, Texas, Protoform P2/Volkswagen  
\*Formula X: Avery Towns, Allen, Texas, Formula Renault 2.0  
Prototype 1: Jim Devenport, Alamo, California, Elan DP02  
\*Prototype 2: Tim Day, Jr., Scottsdale, Arizona, Stohr WF1  
Spec Miata: Travis Wiley, Austin, Texas, Mazda Miata  
\*Spec Racer Ford Gen 3: Bobby Sak, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan, Spec Racer Ford  
\*Touring 1: Clark Nunes, San Jose, California, Chevrolet Camaro  
\*Touring 2: Charlie Peter, Olathe, Kansas, BMW M2  
\*Touring 3: Breton Williams, Clinton, Iowa, Nissan 370Z  
\*Touring 4: Marc Cefalo, Swoyersville, Pennsylvania, Mazda MX-5  
Super Touring Lite: Danny Steyn, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, Mazda MX-5  
\*Super Touring Under: Anthony Piselli, Mauertown, Virginia, Subaru Impreza

. (\*) denotes a weekend sweep.

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### [On the Green Stuff](#)

The Chicago Region June Sprints® for 2022 are history. Yes, lots of action on the black stuff but not to be outdone The Green Stuff offered many opportunities for fun, comradeship, and celebration. If you happened to see John Doonan, IMSA President, and Mike Cobb, SCCA President, On the Green Stuff as F & C workers at turn three you got to see the FUN. If you attended the beer party and dinner on Saturday, you observed the Comradeship. If you stayed after dinner, you help celebrate the CenDiv Hall of Fame inductees Bill Porter and Andy McDermid; the Chicago Region 2021 Fred Wacker Driver of the Year Thomas Wiegner and John Doonan recap his early years as a race “brat” on his path to becoming IMSA president and, of course, an F & C worker



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**[Milwaukee Region SCCA Inaugural Festival of Speed Event  
at Road America July 7th thru 10th.](#)**

**Track Day – Dog Days of Track Days – Thursday, July 7**

**[msreg.com/2022MTDdogdays](https://msreg.com/2022MTDdogdays)**

**RoadRally TREK – Friday, July 8**

**[msreg.com/FoSRRally](https://msreg.com/FoSRRally)**

**Road Racing – Cat Majors – Saturday and Sunday, July 9-10**

**[msreg.com/CatMajors2022](https://msreg.com/CatMajors2022)**

**RallyCross – Event 4 – Saturday, July 9**

**[msreg.com/mke-rx4-2022](https://msreg.com/mke-rx4-2022)**

**RallyCross – Event 5 – Sunday, July 10**

**[msreg.com/mke-rx5-2022](https://msreg.com/mke-rx5-2022)**

**There is still time to register for the CAT Majors - this event counts for the Path to the Runoffs! [msreg.com/CatMajors2022](https://msreg.com/CatMajors2022)**

Come enjoy a great weekend full of racing events at Road America - beautiful scenery and a great track to test your metal on! Bring the family and enjoy a weekend full of racing fun and comrodery - check out the time trails on Thursday - Rally Cross Saturday and Sunday and Don't forget the Rally/Trek on Friday - see links above for more information. Testing Opportunities: Road America will provide a test day for Cat Majors participants on Friday, July 8. This test day is not covered under SCCA event sanction. Anyone wishing to register or with other test day related questions, please refer to <https://www.roadamerica.com/test-days>

**Come on out to Road America July 7-10 for lots of #Funwithcars**

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### [Calling all Volunteers!](#)

Come have fun trackside at Road America We are looking for workers for the IMSA Sportscar Weekend

August 4-7, 2022 Click here to register: [Link to register for IMSA](#)

We are looking for the following specialties: Race Administration (limited openings)  
F&C – unlimited, Backup communicator (1 opening - must be willing to work all 3 days), Lunch bus (1 opening), Course (4 openings), Paddock (6 openings), Grid (4 limited spaces), Registration (4)

All volunteers will be approved by the specialty chief - volunteers must be a current SCCA member and have worked regional/majors/Pro events recently

You will be allowed 1 guest

Camping will be available at the OASIS for FREE (link to map on the event page)

Lunch provided daily

Kat, Chief Registrar



**[August 28, 2022](#)**

**The Chicago Region display at the 2022 Geneva Concours d'Elégance is starting to fill-up. However, we are still looking for a few more cars to fill the display. If you have a sports car or race car that is unique, has some history, or just plain fantastic, come join us at the Geneva Concours d'Elégance on Sunday August 28, 2022. If you interested in displaying a car, please email Peg Ball, registrar ([pegball@comcast.net](mailto:pegball@comcast.net)) to receive or submit the entry form.**

The Geneva Concours has taken place for seventeen years and regularly draws well over 200 classics, exotics and racecars. The Concours organization is a Not-for-profit 501 (c) (3) promoting the "art of the automobile" to benefit the LIVINGWELL Cancer Resource Center, in Geneva, Illinois. The Chicago Region's participation in this event will also support this benefactor.



The Region will hold its own concours at the Geneva show. There is no entry fee for our concours, we will have four trophy categories and the Chicago Region will also be selecting one vehicle from our display to be a recipient of the prestigious Carl Benz Trophy from the Geneva Concours d'Elegance. So come join us as we celebrate the “art of the automobile”, be part of an exciting and enjoyable day.



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**Chicago Region SCCA Fall Tour, 2022**  
**October 15, 2022**



The Chicago Region SCCA is planning our fall tour, and as always focused on great driving roads in southern Wisconsin. John Sutton our Rally/Tour master has already begun the mapping out the tentative route. He has identified some interesting stop points and is working with a restaurant in Monroe, WI to be our end point. So, mark your calendar (**Saturday October 15, 2022**) and make plans to join us for another enjoyable day on the best backroads drive available. The fall colors should be in full display as an added touch to the 120 mile drive. Keep an eye on Piston Patter as more details become available over the next couple of months and for when registration opens in MotorSportsReg.

**Get Out and Tour Series (G.O.A.T.S.)**

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**2023**

## [75th Anniversary of Chicago Region SCCA](#)

2023 will be the 75th year that Chicago Region has been putting on sports car events for its members. To celebrate this milestone, the Region is working on several special projects to commemorate the occasion.

Planned events, at this time, include a special 2023 Checkered Flag Party to kick off the anniversary year. Commemorative 75th anniversary license plate frames that are already being distributed to members at region events. please get a pair and display them on your car to help promote the 75th anniversary.

A 75th anniversary book covering the history of the Region from 1948 through 2023 is currently being put together. **We are still looking for old historic photographs for the anniversary book.**

If you have any photos, please contact Claire Ball, 306 Weston Ct., McHenry, IL 60051: cell 847-660-3460: [pdmassociates@comcast.net](mailto:pdmassociates@comcast.net).

**HELP MAKE THE REGION'S 75th ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL**

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### [June Trivia Quiz](#)



**Question:** What does **G.O.A.T.S** stand for:

**Answer:** Get Out and Tour Series

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### [July Trivia Question](#)



**Question:** Who won the 1967 Road America Can-Am race?

**Answer:** Will be in the August issue of Piston Patter

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### [2022 Chicago Region New Members](#)

Chicago Region is pleased to welcome the following new members. If any of you have questions, please contact the Region board members responsible for your area of interest or the Region office (listed at the beginning of this issue of Piston Patter). We hope you enjoy your membership and have fun participating in the various club activities.

Jacob Bolen  
Steve Bonk  
Richard Cohen  
Paul Colella  
Joe Cross  
Michael Crum  
  
Carem Debelak  
Will Evans  
Jingxing Gao  
Tomasz Gorniak  
Mark Karolich  
Rasmus Kull  
Gerhard Maier  
Daniel Malec  
Gabriel Manus  
Angel McVey

Ivan Nosal  
Jose Paredes  
Ashley Pernsteiner  
Randall Phillips  
Evan Robinson  
Jacob Rosenbacher  
Matthew Schneider  
Frank Skrip  
Zachary Spence  
John Starka  
Virko Tammaru  
Michael Taylor  
Prem Widyna  
Bradley Wittlief  
Zain Yusuf

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### [2022 Chicago Region Social Events](#)

**8/28/22** Geneva Concours, Region Car Display  
**10/19/22** Member Membership Meeting, TBA



11/16/22 Annual Membership Meeting, TBA

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### **2022 Chicago Region Road Race Events**

**8/27-28/22** Kettle Double Regional, Road America

**9/10-11/22** Fall Classic Regional, Autobahn

**10/8-9/22** Fall Sprints, Blackhawk Farms

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### **2022 Chicago Region Solo Events**

**7/17/22** Solo Event 5, Route 66 Raceway

**9/18/22** Solo Event 6, Route 66 Raceway

**10/1-2/22** Solo Event 7&8, Route 66 Raceway

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### **2022 Chicago Region Track Days**

**7/29/22** Track Day 4, Autobahn

#### **Time Trials**

**8/27/22** Road America

**9/10/22** Autobahn

**10/8/22** Blackhawk Farms

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