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Dear George,

Welcome to the August 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

August 27, 2022 Time Trials Road America

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

August 28, 2022 Geneva Concours Geneva, IL

September 10-11, 2022

Fall Classic Regional, Autobahn

September 18, 2022 Solo Event 6 Route 66 Raceway

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RE Marks

Street Survival

I would like to thank the Solo Committee and the many volunteers for putting on another successful Street Survival event on July 16th. 28 students completed the course at Route 66 Dragway. I would also like to recognize Mark Hurt for coaching his 25th Street Survival and Kevin Coulter and family for being the event lead.

Drivers Worker Fund

I would also like to recognize the Club Racing's Drivers Worker Fund for providing the \$25 gas cards that were given to the June Sprints workers at Road America. The board has decided to contribute to the Drivers Worker Fund so \$25 gas cards could be available for the Kettle Regional Race at Road America August 27-28th.

Regional Club Racing & Time Trials

With the June Sprints and other Majors behind us for 2022, we still have 3 regional race weekends planned. The Kettle, Fall Classic and Fall Sprints. Also, on the Saturdays of these weekends there will also be a Time Trial sessions. Register now at Motorsports Reg.

Also, at these regional race weekend will be the SRF Ge in 2 championship and the Rust Belt Improved Touring (IT) championship series. The Gen2 series is sponsored by Elite Autosports and the Rust Belt IT series is sponsored by Grass Paddock Motorsports. So, Gen2'ers and IT'ers get those cars out of the garages and join the series.

I really like the idea of sponsored race series for non-runoff classes in regional races. Something for racers to shoot for when they are not eligible for the runoffs or CenDIV championships. I would like to see more of what Elite and Grass Paddock have started. Any manufacturer, group, or prep shop like to sponsor a non-runoff class? Maybe ASR, BP, FE, FST, PX, E46 or others? Contact our Division President Mike Smith (https://cendiv-scca.org/about/contacts/) with your ideas.

Roger Vilmur



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 specilaty 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

The Chicago Region SCCA Presents: The Kettle Moraine Double Divisional Races

August 27-28, 2022



The Double Divisional is a Runoffs Qualifying Event for 2022!

Two full-length Divisional races will be held at the Chicago Region Kettle Moraine Double

Divisional

UPDATE!!! HOOSIER TIRE WILL REQUIRE A LARGE AMOUNT OF ORDERS TO BE ONSITE - PLEASE ORDER YOUR TIRES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE IN CASE OF DELAYS

The weekend offers two full-length divisional races and is a Runoffs qualifying event for 2022 and a CenDiv Championship Series points event. The entry fee for two days is \$595; for one day, \$465. The Kettle welcomes cars competing in the SRF2 Challenge Series and the Rust Belt IT series. For details, visit the registration page.

Volunteers are needed in all specialties.

Update 07/18/22: Chief of F&C will be Jeff Reglin and Chief of Comm with be Tiffany Bingheim.

Lunch is provided Saturday and Sunday, and there will be a party and dinner on Saturday night.

Registration is now open. To register, click **HERE**

Online registration closes Aug. 24, 11:59 PM CST
Deadline to cancel without penalty Aug. 24, 11:59 PM CDT
Late Fee of \$50 charged for any entry received after Aug. 24, 11:59 PM CDT



August 28, 2022

The Chicago Region display at the 2022 Geneva Concours d'Elagance is starting to fillup. 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'Elagance on Sunday August 28, 2022. If you interested in displaying a car, please email Peg Ball, registrar (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.



Chicago Region SCCA Fall Tour, 2022 October 15, 2022



As mentioned last month in Piston Patter the Chicago Region SCCA is planning our fall tour, and as always is focused on great driving roads in southern Wisconsin. John Sutton our Rally/Tour master has begun the mapping and pre-driving the tentative route. He is including some interesting stopping points to add to the social aspect of the event along the way that you won't want to miss.



The first stop will be the Kelch Aviation Museum which is a "Fly back in time to the golden age of aviation". The hangar is filled with a stunning collection of restored aircraft from the 1920s and 30s. The museum is a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation, operating entirely through generous donations from people like us. Admission is free of charge, but a small donation per adult is encouraged to help the non-profit thrive. So, if you stop please help them out with a \$10.00 dollar per car donation.

For you cheese lovers, there is a stop planned at Alp & Dell Cheese Store near the end point where you can pick up some of their award winning cheeses to take home. Just in case you're wondering, there are over 150 different cheeses to pick from, there has to be one you like.

If that wasn't enough there will be a gathering at the endpoint for lunch and socializing at a restaurant in Monroe, WI. 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. So, keep an eye on Piston Patter and MotorsportsReg as more details and the entry form become available.

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

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.

HELP MAKE THE REGION'S 75th ANNIVERARY SPECIAL

JulyTrivia Question

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

Answer: Bruce McLaren

August Trivia Quiz



Question: With new resurfacing of the Road America racetrack later this fall, when did the beginning construction of Road America racetrack start?

Answer: Will be in the September issue of Piston Patter

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.

Jeffrey Antonelli Gian Buffomante Edvinas Cinga Timothy Curl Brian Dahl Mark Furczon Phillip Grunfeld Munzir Habibovic Brandon Hanek Ed Harris
Eric Jancsovics
Andrew Karstrand
Barb Kautz
Jason Kroot
Jerry Lei
John McGurk
Melvin Terpstra

2022 Chicago Region Social Events

8/28/22 Geneva Concours, Region Car Display10/26/22 Member Membership Meeting, Blackdog Racing Sh11/16/22 Annual Membership Meeting, TBA

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

2022 Chicago Region Solo Events

9/18/22 Solo Event 6, Route 66 Raceway **10/1-2/22** Solo Event 7&8, Route 66 Raceway

2022 Chicago Region Track Days

Time Trials

8/27/22 Road America 9/10/22 Autobahn 10/8/22 Blackhawk Farms