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Chicago Region, SCCA Piston Patter Newsletter

September 2024

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Welcome to the September 2024 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.

2024 Event Calendar

September 3-8, 2024
SCCA Solo National Champion
Lincoln, Nebraska

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Autobahn

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Autobahn CC-S

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Meadowdale Car Show
Carpentersville, IL

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South Beloit, IL



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Nominations to the Board of Directors

Our Nomination Committee team is currently looking for volunteers to be on the 2024 Chicago Region SCCA Board of Directors. These roles are important to maintaining the viability of our events, exploring new ways for our members to participate, and striving for a stable but growing membership of participants and volunteers. If you would like to participate in the role or want to nominate a member, please contact Rich Walke. (richwalke61@gmail.com).

Officials Park Dedication

Through the efforts of the Chicago Region SCCA and Road America and in particular our Steve Laske and Road America's Mike Kertcher, a park, near the paddock round about, was created to recognize the officials and volunteers that have made possible all the great events hosted by Road America and organized by the Chicago Region SCCA.

Three benches were created to commemorate the park. One holds the name of the park. Another bench recognized the founding members of the Chicago Region SCCA, Fred Wacker Jr., Jim Kimberly, Dave Garroway, and Bayard Sheldon. The final bench recognizes the officials and volunteers that have used their valuable time and commitment to make events at Road America something to remember.

On Friday October 4, during the run-offs, around noon we will hold a dedication ceremony. If you are attending the run-offs please stop by and be apart of this dedication ceremony.

Presidents Update August 2024

Mike Cobb our president and CEO made a presentation on changes at national, and the health and activities in the club.

I encourage everyone to view the presentation on YouTube at the link below.

<https://www.youtube.com/@sccaacademy/playlists>

Roger Vilmur

On The Green Stuff

Ok! We admit to being less omniscient and more enthusiastic when trying to get people engaged in SCCA activities. The very act of reading our plea for involvement on these pages should have made it obvious you are involved. It took a while but we finally got it. The next step is for all of us involved SCCA (ers) to spread the word. We don't ask you to become an evangelist just relay the contact information to a friend, co-worker, or relative that the cluboffice@scca-chicago.com or 847-729-2211 is the first step towards a "Fun with Cars" experience. We have two Chicago Region race events in the planning stages and will provide an educational peak into how we have "Fun with Cars". Ask them to contact us or submit their contact information and we will give them their chance to join the fun.

TT and Track Events Report

Chicago Region Track Events have been enjoying good weather and lively turnouts this summer — a little warm but driving on track always generates a welcome breeze. Just look at the smiles on the faces of these Track Sprint participants!

As the calendar turns to September, the earlier start times of our events reminds us that the days are getting shorter, so we encourage everyone to sign up and make hay — er, horsepower! — while the sun shines.

· **Track Event (No Time Trial) #6 - Friday, September 6 @ 4:00 PM** on Autobahn's South Track (<http://msraa.com/2024CHGOT66>)

(<http://msreg.com/2024/10/01/>)

Registration for the Time Trial in a Race Weekend events at Autobahn and Blackhawk (October 12) will open on August 1; links are available at <https://scca-chicago.com/track-dayS/>.



Chicago Region SCCA Presents:
Chicago Region Autobahn Classic SCCA
Double Divisional

September 7-8, 2024

Autobahn - South Course 2.1 miles



This is a CENDIV Championship Series points event. Series rules, including regional-only car classes can be found on the CENDIV website at <http://www.cendiv-scca.org>. This event welcomes cars competing in the SRF GEN2 Pro Tour.

TEST DAY: Autobahn Country Club will be hosting a test day prior to the event. This event is not administrated, sanctioned or insured by the SCCA. Test day participants must register separately with Autobahn Country Club using the following registration link: <https://autobahncc.com/scca-test-day>
FACILITY ACCESS: Access to the facility will be Thursday 5:00-10:00PM (Test Day participants only), Friday 12:00PM-10:00PM, Saturday 7:00 AM-10:00PM and Sunday 7:00 AM-7:00PM. No 24-hour access.

PERTINENT DATES FOR THIS EVENT (ALL DATES 2024)

September 4, 11:59 PM CDT Online registration closes

September 4, 11:59 PM CDT Credit cards will not be processed before September 6, 11:59 PM CDT

Registration hours:

Friday 5:30pm - 8:30pm, Saturday 7:15am - 12:00pm, Sunday 7:30am - 12:00pm

Entry Form: [2024 ABJ Entry Form](#) Schedule only: [ABJ 2024 Schedule only](#)

To register, click [HERE](#)

**GENEVA
CONCOURS
*d'Elegance***

[August 25, 2024 In historic Geneva, Illinois](#)

The Geneva Concours 2024, did you make it there, I know it was hot, but it was a great show with over 350 cars of all types on display.





The Region had an excellent variety of sports cars and everyone had a great time. A full article about the event will be in the October issue of Piston Patter, watch for it. Until then take care and we'll see you soon.

Steve Laske



Chicago Region Invited to the Meadowdale Car Show **September 7, 2024**

The Region has been invited back to participate in the Annual Meadowdale Motorsports & Memories Car Show on Saturday, September 7th. The invitation was extended by Linda Daro, Founder and Chair of the Midwest Racing Preservation Association (MiRPA). The event takes place from 10 am to 3 pm. The show features over 450 car entries and draws hundreds of spectators.

The show offers a wonderful opportunity to promote the Club and “having fun with cars.” If you would like to join the fun and excitement by showing a special car, please contact Bob Malm at 847-695-0368. Race cars are particularly welcome as they attract attention to our display.

The car show is held on the original site of the former Meadowdale Raceways in Carpentersville, IL. The track was built in the late 1950's and its inaugural race was held on September 14, 1958. The race was sanctioned and run by the Chicago Region. The “ghost track” has been transformed into a forest preserve. Although the 3.27-mile track with its famous Monza Wall no longer exists, sections of the circuit remain. The car show, along with the Region's display, will be positioned on what was the main straight.

To learn more about the Car Show and MiRPA, visit their web site MiRPA.org.

All the Best,
Bob Malm

The 2024 Chicago Region SCCA Fall Tour/Rally **September 28, 2024**

“Pink Heifer BBQ Run”

September 28th The Chicago Region will be running another G.O.A.T.S. (Get Out and Tour Series) event. Join us this fall for another drive through northern Illinois and southern Wisconsin on some of the most scenic backroads there are to enjoy.



This Chicago Region SCCA, G.O.A.T.S. backroads tour will provide you with an enjoyable day of driving, using great backroads providing scenic views and plenty of turns and elevation changes. The drive will be approximately 120 miles ending in Monticello, WI at the Pink Heifer Saloon & Smokehouse. In May 2020, Lauren and Yo Fox moved from Southern California to Monticello and purchased the Monticello House in June 2021. The Fox family completed a floor to ceiling, wall to wall renovation and opened the Pink Heifer Saloon & Smokehouse. At our endpoint we will all meet for lunch and some socializing. Join us won't you, for a great drive, good food, and visit with friends. After lunch if you're interested the nearby town of New Glarus will be celebrating Oktoberfest. The event offers many spirited activities in downtown New Glarus including live music, great food, local beer, wagon rides, chainsaw carving, plus plenty of family fun. Live music in the festival tent all weekend



The Tour/Rally is scheduled to take place on Saturday, September 28, 2024. The starting point will be at the Flying "J" in the South Beloit, IL. Registration is required on MotorsportsReg and check-in the day of will open at 9am.

Event Information

When: Saturday September 28, 2024

Registration: Pre-event registration is required. Registration will be on MotorsportReg, <https://www.motorsportreg.com> watch the site, registration will open soon. The entry deadline for this event is midnight Sunday September 22, 2024.

Entry Fee per car: \$25.00 SCCA Members, \$45.00 Non-members (\$20.00 Weekend membership fee for all non-member drivers is required, which is included in entry) the weekend membership fee can be

applied towards a full SCCA membership. All cars must have a driver and a navigator, any navigator / passenger who is not an SCCA member will be asked to sign a Trial Membership document at the starting point (no additional fees assessed).

Starting point: Flying J Travel Center, 16049 Willowbrook Rd. South Beloit, IL. 61080 (the northwest corner of I-90 /39 and Illinois Rt. 75) by the Denny's Restaurant. Check-in at the event will open at 9:00 am, with the first car off promptly at 10:00 am

To register, Ctrl click: [Chicago Region SCCA Fall Tour \(motorsportreg.com\)](https://motorsportreg.com)

Brought to you by G.O.A.T.S. "Get Out and Tour Series"

[2024 Solo Schedule](#)

September 3-8 SCCA Solo National Championships @ Lincoln, Nebraska
September 22 TSSCC @ Boomers
October 5-6 TSSCC @ Boomers
October 12 Event #7 @ Rt66
October 13 Event #8 @ Rt66

[2024 Track Day Events Schedule](#)

TRACK DAYS

#6 Fri, September 6 Autobahn CC-S

TIME TRIAL in RACE WEEKENDS

TT1 Sat, September 7 Autobahn CC-S

TT2 Sat, October 12 Blackhawk Farms

[Tentative 2024 "NORTHERN CONFERENCE" Majors Schedule](#)

For the CenDiv 2024 Race Schedule, click [HERE](#)

[Chicago Region SCCA Apparel](#)

SCCA now has an apparel store selling T-shirts, polos, hooded sweatshirts, pullovers, full-zip hoodies, hats, and safety vests with Chicago Region and SCCA logos.

For apparel information and to purchase items, click [HERE](#).

[2024 Chicago Region New & Returning Members](#)

July 31- August 28, 2024

Chicago Region is pleased to welcome the following new and returning 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.

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