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REGIONAL EXECUTIVE REPORT Russ Burckhard

April 2014 RE Report

The North East Round Table will be held April 4-6 at Pocono Manor. Here is a list of the sessions that will be held:

Session	Presenter(s)	Description
Driving School	Ed Zebrowski	The SCCA Race Experience-A New Program for your Region. Update on 2014 Licensing and Driver School Requirements
Emergency Services	Ray Maliszewski	Flat Tow Seminar
F & C	Wayne Armbrust	Licensing
Pit and Grid	Bart Carlevaro	New tracks & Pit and Grid Placement
Rally Cross	Steve Hyatt and Raleigh and Velma Boreen from National	RallyX Town Hall - includes State of RX in NEDiv and the Country, updates to programs, new initiatives, NEDiv Divisional Challenge, 2014 National Championships, and a Q&A session.
Rally Cross	James Quattro	Rallycross Safety Steward Training - All day
Rally Cross	Raleigh and Velma Boreen from National	Open Discussion on Solo and Rally Cross
Rally Cross	Raleigh and Velma Boreen from National	Raleigh and Velma meet with RE's and Solo Chairs
Registration	Sandi Kryder	Registration Update
Solo	Kathy Barnes	Solo Safety Steward Training - All day
Sound	Peter Perrault	How is sound Measured/Day in the Life of a Sounder
Start	John Flowers	Start Get-together
Stewards	Earl Hurlbut	SIT Ground School - All day
T & S	Linda Louie	Changes in system/T & S Manual
Tech	Paul Morrison	TBD
Time Trials (PDX)	Matt Yip	TBD
Time Trials (PDX)	Steve McKelvie	PDX Instructor Training

For registration info go to <https://www.motorsportreg.com/events/northeast-division-roundtable-inn-at-pocono-manor-scca-205303#.Uyrh9vldWSp>

There is a wide variety of sessions but if there is something else you would like to know, there is a good chance that someone there will be able to answer your questions.

Todd Boice did a great job with this year's budget. It was presented and passed by the membership at the March membership meeting.

The National convention was held early last month. I was not able to go but am looking forward to hearing how it went from those that did go. I am sure we will be reading about it in this or future editions of the Knockoff.

Look for us again this year at the Guptill's car shows. I believe they will be on the second Monday of the month again this summer but I could not confirm it as of this writing.

SOLO REPORT

Russ Burckhard

April 2014 Solo Report

We have a tentative schedule. I am still waiting to hear from the first site owner so I can present the schedule to the second site owner.

May 3	Test and Tune / School
May 4	Points event 1
May 31	TRSS Street Survival See www.Streetsurvival.org for more info and registration
June 1	Points event 2
June 28	Solo School
June 29	Points event 3
July 27	Points event 4
Aug 24	Points event 5
Sept 6	Adirondack Corvette Club Charity event at Prospect Mtn. <i>Not a mohud event.</i>
Sept 20	TRSS Street Survival See www.Streetsurvival.org for more info and registration
Sept 21	Points event 6
Oct 12	Points event 7

Last year at this time, Tracey and I purchased the Focus ST. We did not know how it would do going into the season, but let me tell you that it did not disappoint us. The car was strong right out of the box and was the car to beat at most of the events we attended. We do not have a new car this year, but we do have new rules. The Stock classes have been replaced with street classes. This means that the R-comps are not allowed.

Go to <http://www.scca.com/solo/content.cfm?cid=44517> to see how the rules will change your class.

COMPETITION REPORT Jack Hanifan

April 2014 Competition Report & National Convention Report

Tech Party- Since we have not had any objections, we will have the Annual Tech Party at Bob Karl's Sales and Service on Saturday May 3rd- Noon. Plenty of Hot Dogs and soda.

2014 NeDiv Schedule-The 2014 Schedule is posted at NeDiv.com and Lisa will be posting it in the KnockOff.

NATIONAL CONVENTION - First, the Convention was held in Charlotte, NC. And it was held in conjunction with the North American Motorsports Expo or the MSX. The Hall of Fame Induction Banquet was held in the Hotel and the expo was held at the Charlotte Convention Center across the street. The meetings were also held at the Convention Center, Charlotte is an excellent location for us, it is about a ten hour drive and Pete Smith and I managed to get down and back on less than 4 tanks of gas. The schedule is set up so it is only necessary to stay at the Westin for three nights and the rates were reasonable for a downtown location. Pete and I left the Orchard around 9pm and found a Microtel in Hagerstown MD, around 2am. We arrived at the hotel around 2pm.

THE EXPO - the MSX was good, not great, but it is the first year and I can only believe it will be better every year. There were about 40 exhibitors ranging from magazines to Brake manufacturers. I had interesting conversations with ESS, My laps. VP. Aim and others.

MEETINGS:

SCCA ANNUAL MEETING AND TOWN HALL - New officers and members of the board were introduced. This meeting was the first Annual Meeting presided over by our own Area 10 Director John Walsh as Chairman of the Board and also the first for Lisa Noble as President and CEO of the SCCA. The various heads of programs in the club gave reports on recent changes and the directions the programs are taking. Tom Campbell, President and CEO of Pro Racing gave his report, noting that Pro Racing had a small profit in 2013 and looked forward to a better 2014.

MSX WELCOME-President/CEO Lisa Noble led a parade across the street to our private opening of the MSX. Refreshments and finger food were served (provided by Mazdaspeed) and members had the show to themselves. As I mentioned before, the show was good and will get better. The whole concept of the National Convention and the Expo together was the brainchild of Mike Collis aka Meathead. If you see Mike at a race, please thank him for his work.

CLUB RACING SPECIALTY MEETING- presented by Terry Ozment, VP Club Racing, SCCA. Terry and staff explained various programs to recruit, retain, recognize and reward our club racing volunteers.

PDX/TIME TRIALS TOWN HALL- The Time Trials program has four distinct program offerings: PDX, Club Trials, Track Trials and Hill Climb. Discussion took place on rulebooks and rule changes. One fact noted, you do not need a hill for a Hill Climb.

CLUB RACING STEWARDS: CRM TRAINING- presented by Mike West. This was a double session for Stewards, the presenter was Mike West. Mike is an excellent Steward, he and I were Exec Stewards together and Mike was Chairman of the Court of Appeals when I was the 1st Judge. When Pete and I were passing through Memphis on the way to COTA, I called him for advice on where we could get good Memphis Barbecue and have a place to park the Toter, he came through and Pete and I left Memphis happy and a few pounds heavier. Club Racing Management Training is based on fundamentals stolen from the commercial airline pilots training. The cornerstones of good CRM are: Communication, Situational Awareness, Decision Making and Teamwork. Last year, in Vegas, we covered communication this year we concentrated on situational awareness.

REGIONAL EXECS & BOD - Presented by John Walsh, BOD Chairman- This was a closed meeting for RE's and the BOD. I represented Russ and MoHud. The prime goals for the BOD and National staff are: Reducing Entry level barriers, Worker Recruitment, Solo Site Acquisition and promoting Charity, Promoting public service activities like Tire Rack Street Survival and our various Championship events.

CLUB RACING: Town Hall- Presented by Jim Wheeler, CRB Chairman.-Presentations were made to recipients of the Kimberly Cup, Jim Fitzgerald Rookie of the Year, the RRDC and John McGill Award. Awards were followed by a discussion on where the CRB is heading and an open discussion on class changes.

TALL TALES WITH SCCA LEGENDS AND A 70 YEAR RETROSPECTIVE WITH PETE HYLTON presented by Lisa Noble. This was one of the most entertaining sessions of the weekend. Sunday morning over Danish and Coffee, Lisa led a discussion on some of our legends. War stories were told by the likes of Anatoly Antanoff, R. David Jones, Bob Bondurant, Kathy Barnes, Marc Gerstein and others. One of the highlights was Jerry Rigoli noting that Lisa interviewing Kathy Barnes was the Barnes and Noble show.

AWARDS AND HALL OF FAME BANQUET - The 2014 Hall of Fame Inductees were introduced and they are:

KATHY BARNES - Director, Multiple National Solo Champion, Woolf Barnado Award, Exec Steward, etc.

BOB BONDURANT - LeMans winner, 2 years in F1, Corvette Club Racer, Bob Bondurant School.

DAN GURNEY -Trans Am and Can Am Champion, Club racer, innovator-full face helmet etc.

DR. BOB HUBBARD AND JIM DOWNING – Club Racers and inventors of the HANS device.

PETE HYLTON - Club Racer, Club Historian, Region leader, SCCA BOD and founder of Hall of Fame.

Kathy Barnes's speech was excellent thanking all but especially her husband Paul

THE DAVID MORRELL AWARD- The highest award for and SCCA Steward and the Woolf Barnato Award- the highest SCCA ward - I was extremely happy that the recipients of these award were two of our NeDiv friends –Earl Hurlbut and Bob Dowie, respectively.



*Tom Campbell reports
on SCCA pro racing*

Photos by Jack Hanifan



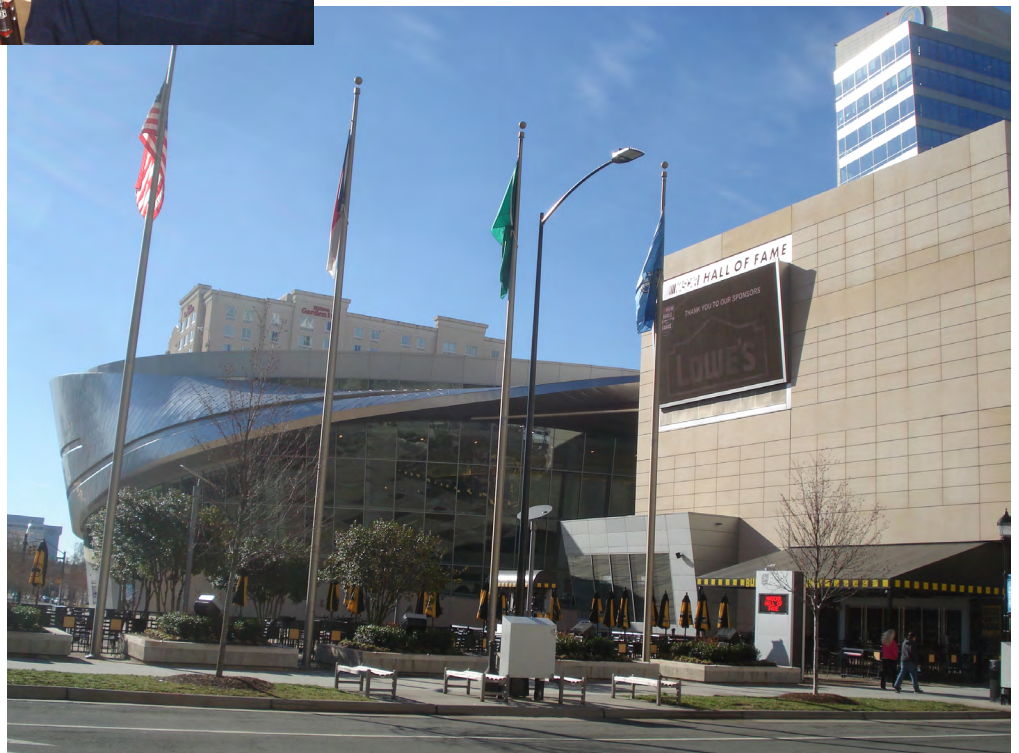
*Earl Hurlbut, center was presented with Morrell Award by
Jim Averitt and Lisa Noble*



*Jerry Rigoli and Johannes Krauss
visit vendors at MSX*



Exhibitors at MSX



NASCAR Hall of Fame

2014 NeDIV Schedule

DATES	EASTERN CONFERENCE MAJORS	NEDIVISIONAL SERIES	REGIONALS
January 4 & 5	Sebring Int'l Raceway - D (3-5)		
January 11 & 12	Palm Beach Int'l Raceway - D (10-12)		
February 15 & 16	Stewards Training - Hartford, CT (15)		
March 1 & 2	Stewards Training - Harrisburg, PA (1)		
March 7, 8 & 9 / Daylight Savings	National Convention - Charlotte Convention Center, Charlotte, NC		
March 15 & 16			
March 22 & 23	Road Atlanta - D (21 - 23)		
March 29 & 30			
April 4, 5 & 6	NeDivision Roundtable & Stewards Ground School for SIT's - The Inn @ Pocono Manor, Pocono Manor, PA		
April 12 & 13 / Passover (15)		WDC/Summit Point (M)	
April 19 & 20 / Easter	Virginia Int'l Raceway		
April 26 & 27			STC-NEO/PIRC - D (27) JRB/NJMP-T 12-hour Enduro 25-26 + Test 25
May 3 & 4			
May 10 & 11 / Mothers Day (11)			NNJ/Pocono - D + Pro IT (Na, Nj)
May 17 & 18			
May 24, 25 & 26 / Memorial Day		NER/NHMS - D (24-25 Ne)	
May 31 & June 1			JRB/NJMP-T-Restricted Pro IT Double ONLY
June 7 & 8	SJR/NJMP-T - D (6-8) + Test 5		
June 14 & 15 / Fathers Day (15)		STC/PIRC - D	
June 21 & 22			WDC/Summit Point (M) NER/LimeRock (20-21-Ne, Na) FLR/Nelson - D (Ny)
June 28 & 29 / Ramadan (29)		JRB/NJMP-L + Pro IT + Test 27 (Nj)	
July 4, 5 & 6 / Independence Day	GLN/Glen - D (4-6)		
July 12 & 13			WDC/Summit Point (M) NER/TSMP-Thompson Speedway Motorsports Park-D (11-13 Ne) GLN/Glen + Pro IT (Ny, Na)
July 19 & 20			
July 26 & 27		MVR/Nelson - D (K)	
August 2 & 3	WDC/Summit Point - D (1-3)		
August 9 & 10		TRI/Pocono + Test 8 -D (M)	NER/NHMS - D (Na)
August 16 & 17			JRB/NJMP-T + Pro IT+- Test 15 (Nj, Na)
August 23 & 24			
August 30, 31 & September 1 / Labor Day			WDC/Summit Point - D (M) JRB/TSMP-Thompson Speedway Motorsports Park-Pro IT-DBL NER/NHM S- D (Na)
September 6 & 7			
September 13 & 14		FLR/Glen - D (Ny)	
September 20 & 21/ Rosh Hashanah (25)			
September 27 & 28		NYR/LimeRock (26-27 Na)	MVR/Nelson - D (K)
October 4 & 5 / Yom Kippur (4)			WDC/Summit Point (M) NER/TSMP-Thompson Speedway Motorsports Park-D (3-5 Ne) GLN/Glen -Reg'l (4 Ny) + Enduro (5) + Pro IT (4-5) + Test 3
October 6-12	SCCA NATIONAL RUNOFFS - MAZDA RACEWAY, LAGUNA SECA, SALINAS, CA		
October 11 & 12 / Columbus Day (13)			
October 18 & 19			JRB/NJMP-T (17-19 Nj)
October 25 & 26 / Halloween (31)			
November 1 & 2 / Daylight Savings			
November 8 & 9 / Veterans Day (11)			
November 15 & 16			
November 22 & 23 / Thanksgiving (27)			
November 29 & 30			
01-22-14 NeDiv Scheduling Donna McDonough			
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Double=D; Enduro=E; Restricted (Class)=R; Tentative=T			

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Barnes, Bondurant, Gurney, Hubbard, Downing and Hylton Join SCCA Hall of Fame Saturday Night In Charlotte

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (March 8, 2014) – Sports Car Club of America legends Kathy Barnes, Bob Bondurant, Dan Gurney, Dr. Bob Hubbard and Jim Downing, and Pete Hylton were officially added to the list of SCCA royalty during the SCCA Hall of Fame Induction and Award Ceremony presented by Mazda on Saturday night at the Charlotte Westin.

Banquet emcee Greg Creamer introduced the newly inducted Hall of Famers to the 428 members and motorsports fans in attendance.

Barnes was the first Hall of Famer to the stage in the evening, reminiscing on her well rounded and on-going service time as a Director, a multiple National Championship winning Solo driver, a Solo event organizer and a Club Racing steward for the SCCA.

“I’ve been fortunate to have friends encourage me to take on responsibilities that I never thought I would do,” Barnes said. “There are friends who encouraged me that I should not quit competing when I had a broken car or didn’t feel like driving anymore. There are friends who have pointed out the errors of my ways, but they gave me great support when I was right. It took time to develop those friendships, and it was well worth the wait.

“This is such an honor. It’s had me thinking about some of my SCCA highlights, and I wonder if everyone in this room has them. Think about yours. Thank you, SCCA, this is a great honor. I hope I will be able to share our club with new generations of people, and I hope you will do so, too.”

Bondurant may be most famous today for the driving school that he founded and bears his name, influencing countless numbers of SCCA racers with instruction. As a driver prior to opening the driving school after a career-ending crash in 1967, Bondurant teamed with co-inductee Gurney to win Le Mans and began his career as an SCCA B Production Corvette driver.

“I’m really honored to be voted into the SCCA Hall of Fame. I have been racing all my life. I raced over in Europe, because I wanted to race against the world’s best. When Dan and I won at LeMans in the Daytona Coupe, that was the first time



Bob Bondurant, with wife Pat, accepts his Hall of Fame honor. Credit: Philip Royle/SportsCar Magazine

anyone had beaten the Ferraris. I had four of them chasing me for the final two hours, and they couldn't catch me."

Bondurant entertained the crowds with stories from his Corvette days in SCCA, as well, before that legendary moment 50 years ago this year.

"I still give hot laps every week at the school. It's been a fantastic time in my life. I just want to say thank you to everyone, I'm really honored."

Bondurant, along with RACER Magazine and SportsCar publisher Paul Pfanner, remained on stage to accept the award for their longtime friend Gurney. Gurney, a motorsports legend and race winner in IndyCar, NASCAR, and Formula One, made his mark as a team owner and driver in SCCA Trans-Am and Can-Am competition but was unable to attend Saturday night's celebration.

"The Gurney family wants to wish our club a happy birthday," Pfanner said. "I've known Dan a very long time. He was my hero when I was 10 years old. He and his family talked me into starting my own publishing company. My first partner was his CFO, and they've been just great to me over the years."

With an introduction out of the way, Pfanner read from a message sent from Gurney.

"Thank you for inducting me into the SCCA Hall of Fame," Gurney wrote. "The Sports Car Club of America has been part of my life for as long as I can remember."

Gurney recalled a letter he sent to the SCCA as a 27-year-old in 1958, criticizing the Club's then-policy to not allow professionals to race with the club. Among other things in his rebuke, Gurney called the SCCA "short sighted in his strongly worded letter. Fifty-six year's later, Gurney admitted to being "slightly ashamed" of his younger self.

"The SCCA did not stay shortsighted for long," Gurney recalls. "Times and attitudes changed and professionals were soon allowed to race. The SCCA became a powerhouse in motorsports. Back then, I wanted to race more than I wanted to breathe. I wanted to make all of you proud of this American. I hope that once in a while, I succeeded."

Dr. Hubbard and Downing may have saved more lives than any two people in the sport when they developed the Head and Neck Support (HANS) device in the mid-1980s, following the loss of a close friend to a basilar skull fracture. Not just content to build the device, the brothers-in-law marketed and pushed the device to become as standard as seatbelts and a helmet in all forms of motorsports.

"When I was an undergrad at Duke University, the professor asked what I wanted to do," Hubbard said. "I wanted to be a mechanical engineer, and I said I wanted to do something that was life changing. The other thing that happened at Duke was I fell in love with Jim's sister, JoAnn. Along with that came a bonus, Jim."

Dr. Hubbard, with his brother-in-law Downing, absolutely changed the lives of many racers and their families.

"It was the dawning of a real innovative time in racing history, because there was never a device like that," Hubbard said. "I got some money together through a state of Michigan grant for small businesses, and the studies showed that it worked (to prevent the basilar skull fractures common in motorsports at the time). At that point, we became morally obligated to pursue this.

"I wouldn't in my wildest dream believe I'd be on the same stage and share an award with the likes of Bob Bondurant and Dan Gurney. I'm really grateful to be here, and this award is the most meaningful I've ever had."

Downing, a champion professional driver in his own right, was equally thankful.

"Lisa Noble (SCCA President) called me up, and I was in the paddock at Road America at the time," Downing said. "She said, we want to induct you into the SCCA Hall of Fame. I thought 'golly, they finally recognized my two third places in the Runoffs!'"

On a serious note, Downing reflected on the early years of the HANS Device.

"Bob may not have understood how hard it was in the early days," Downing said of the low sales and poor reception the new product initially received. "People just didn't think it was going to work. Paul Newman was the second guy to use it, and he said 'this is exactly what I need.' I thank all of you who were early adopters of the device."

Hylton's effort to preserve the Club's now 70-year history as an author and archivist have made him an integral part of the SCCA. Among his accomplishments, Hylton was instrumental in the founding of the very Hall of Fame of which he now permanently resides.

"The SCCA has been one of my pursuits for the last 40 years," Hylton said. "But never could I hope, nor could I dream, that I would ever be included on the list of names in the Hall of Fame. To be included on a list of dignitaries like this is beyond my wildest dreams, and I thank you.

"Wishes and dreams have brought me a long way, and I hope I'm not at the end. To you, the next generation of SCCA members, I leave it to you. To you, I say, dream. Dream big, and never stop dreaming. Because wishes do come true if you wish with all your might."

In addition to the SCCA Hall of Fame honors, many of the SCCA's top awards for current members were distributed on Saturday night.

The RallyCross Dirty Cup annually goes to the SCCA RallyCross recognize an individual that has made an extraordinary contribution to the sport of SCCA RallyCross, with Ken Cashion taking home the honor this year. Cashion has served as an event developer, organizer, RallyCross Board Chairman, and driver, leading the Colorado Region into a model program emulated across the country.

The recently announced Wendy Allen Scholarship provides funding for young and upcoming female Solo participants. The first two scholarships will go to 26-year-old Sarah Tooth, of West University Place, Texas, and 21-year-old Lori Rothmuller, of Sunnyvale, Calif. The Solo program also recognized the previously announced Solo Cup winner, Doug Gill.

An appreciative Tim Kautz took home the Presidents Cup following a 2013 National Championship Runoffs Formula F race that featured five lead changes on the final lap alone, coming out on top by just 0.010-second. The Presidents Cup was originally presented by President Dwight D. Eisenhower in 1954.

"Wow, amazing," Kautz said. "It's an honor just to be here with the legends of the sport, let alone on stage with this award. I love our Club, and its health, and I'm looking forward to many more years of racing."

Jerry Cabe earned one of the top honors that any SCCA member can take home, presented to a club member who makes a great contribution to the Club overall. The award comes with one of the best prizes a motorsports fan could imagine – an all-expenses paid trip to any motorsports event in the world, funded through an endowment made from an anonymous SCCA member.

The evening ended with the presentation of the Woolf Barnato Award, SCCA's highest single honor presented to the member who has made the most outstanding long-term contribution to the SCCA. The award, which has now been presented for 66 years, goes to Bob Dowie.

"I can't believe it," Dowie said. "For those that know me, you know how rarely I'm speechless. It's such an honor and I'm so proud to be a part of this club."

The SCCA National Convention continues on Sunday with seminars and training sessions throughout the day, alongside the North American Motorsports Expo (MSX) at the Charlotte Convention Center.

More information on the Sports Car Club of America can be found at SCCA.com.



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Tight Battles Mark Opening Day of SCCA BFGoodrich Tires Atlanta Super Tour

BRASELTON, Ga. (March 22, 2014) – With more than 300 cars on the entry list for the Sports Car Club of America's BFGoodrich Tires Atlanta Super Tour, close races were a lock. It happened, and what transpired on Saturday at Road Atlanta for Round Five of the Eastern Conference Majors Tour, in many classes, was the Club's own version of March madness.

Timed 30-minute races were on the docket for eight race groups, comprised of 27 Runoffs-eligible classes.

The first race of the day was highlighted by a cat and mouse game between two very different cars, repeated in two groups.

Kurt Rezzetano started his No. 36 Phoenix Performance/Ford Racing/Hoosier/Hawk Performance Ford Mustang on the pole, and pulled an early gap overall and in Touring 2 on the No. 02 Trianon/Fall-Line Porsche 997 of Andrew Longe. The two raced around the 2.540-mile circuit, approximately 20 seconds apart, with the Mustang in control of the early stages.



Alex Bolanos leads four more Miatas in the Spec Miata race.
Credit: Mark Weber

Likewise, the No. 04 Fall-Line Motorsports/Hoosier/Rytec Doors BMW M3 of Rob May played the leader role in Touring 3, setting the pace in front of the No. 07 HPD/BFGoodrich Tires/Hondata Acura TL of Luke Wilwert in the early stages.

Both class leaders worked through traffic on a very busy track. Any chance the two trailing cars would have had to prove their late-race superiority went out the window on lap 13 with just over 10 minutes to go. A turn-five incident involving four cars (Richard Baldwin's Touring 3 No. 22 Zorro Racing/BMI/BFGoodrich Nissan 350Z, Greg Schermer's Touring 2 No. 149 Posh Racing Porsche GT3, Amy Mills' No. 14 Flatout Motorsports Mazda Miata and Joseph Guinta's No. 163 Povoledo Track Day Mazda Miata) brought out a full course caution, ending the race under extended clean-up.

Each driver emerged from the incident without significant injuries, though the hairiest moment came when Baldwin's Nissan clipped the mechanically slowed Porsche and barrel-rolled to a stop and was hit by Mills' Miata.

The small formula cars came up next, with each of the class winners earning their trophies on Saturday. Tim Kautz' No. 88 Braeburn/Two Dogg/Hoosier/Euroquipe Piper DF-3D Honda fell

behind early in the Formula F battle and also trailed Clint McMahan's No. 2 Satellite Racing Nova KBS-01 Formula 500 overall.

Kautz, making his first appearance since being presented with the Presidents' Cup at the SCCA Convention, had the class lead by the completion of lap one, however, and a gaggle of Formula F machines trailed. In clean air, however, Kautz methodically stretched a gap until the checkered flag. McMahan lost touch with the overall leaders when he spun on lap nine, but stayed in front of the Formula 500 class to win.

The Formula Vee race had a running order that was mixed up every lap. Early, Steven Davis (No. 80 Hoosier/Butler Engines/Roxannes Headers Racer's Wedge SB-1), Donnie Isley (No. 30 Agitator By Brookshire Agitator 016), and Jonathan Weisheit (No. 61 JK Technologies, LLC JK Technologies XP-1) each taking a turn at the front early on. Isley, unfortunately, pulled his car-camouflage wrapped to pit lane on turn 10, temporarily leaving Davis and Weisheit alone on the track.

If you weren't closely watching, however, you may not have noticed, as two laps later Isley's sister car, piloted by Laura Hayes, appeared seemingly out of nowhere and moved right to the front of the field down the front straight. The addition of the No. 22 Protoform P2 made the battle up front three-deep again, and became four strong when Charlie Rogers caught up in his No. 23 Akula Motorsports Protoform P2.

Davis pulled off and out of the race just a handful of laps from the end, and Rogers fell back, leaving the last three laps the domain of Hayes and Weisheit. Weisheit saw the one to go board in front, but Hayes moved around in turn one. The pair danced through the turn 10 complex at the end of the backstraight side-by-side, but Hayes reappeared under the bridge in front and completed the final corner for the come from behind win.

The Spec Racer Ford race was a four car battle featuring four of the top SRF drivers in the country. Brian Schofield started up front in the No. 61 PM Racing SRF, but Trey Ayres' No. 7 Ayres Racing SRF, John Greene's No. 29 Jacky Jones Lincoln/PM Racing machine, and Franklin Futrelle's No. 36 Comprent MotorSports/Futrelle Performance Coaching sled each took a turn at the front.

Not even a full course caution in the middle of the race could separate the group, as they once again pulled away at the green. Continuing to swap positions, Schofield was on the point with one lap to go. While the three behind fought for second through the turn 10 complex, Schofield turned a mistake-free lap and snuck away for a three-car-length win. Greene, Ayres and Futrelle followed at the finish line.

Doug Peterson's No. 87 3Dimensional.com Chevrolet Corvette ran away with the GT-1 race, and it looked like another Peterson – Pete, in this case – was ready to take the GT-2 class win. When his No. 98 Toyota/Valvoline/Goodyear Toyota Celica slowed and pulled to pit lane coming to the one to go board, however, the looming battle between Tom Patton's No. 50 Redline Oil/Hoosier Tire Sunbeam Tiger and Randy Kinsland's No. 4 Crossroads Motorsports Chevrolet Corvette became a duel for the lead.

Kinsland slammed the door on Patton's run into turn 10a, and then got the run out of 10b to hold on at the finish.

That close finish set-up Spec Miata, next on track, and the three-wide finish looked like jets in formation as just a half-second separated the winner from fifth place at the checkered flag.

The early stages of the Spec Miata race featured two distinct drafting packs of four that became an eight-deep line by lap five. Alex Bolanos and Jim Drago drove the No. 57 Autotechnik/Rossini Engines Miata and the No. 2 East Street Racing Miata, respectively, to a lock-step breakaway through the midpoint. Pushing hard behind, Andrew Carbonell's No. 43 BSI Racing Mazda Miata and Dillon Machavern's No. 24 Heritage/Panic/T-Speed Mazda teamed up to turn the fastest laps of the race, marching down Drago and Bolanos by lap 10. Carbonell was the official leader as the pack of four started lap 14 with six minutes to go. With just a couple to go, Drago made his move – and it backfired. Drago went to the lead in turn seven, but then was freight trained by the other three leaders and fell all the way back to fourth after controlling most of the race. With that excursion, Todd Lamb's No. 84 Cahall/Driver Coach/Hawk Performance Miata joined the battle, and the five crossed the stripe to start the last lap all in a row and Carbonell up front.

Bolanos took the lead early in the lap, and on the big run into turn 10, held on while Machavern moved to second. The group came down the hill and through the last turn looking for real estate, and at the finish it was Bolanos on the left, Machavern on the right by 0.120-second, and Carbonell, Drago and Lamb in order for the finish.

A black flag to retrieve a crashed Formula Atlantic stalled out their race, but even with a three lap restart no one was close to eventual class and overall winner Michael Mallinen. Mallinen's No. 1 Swan Motorsports/MAZDASPEED Motorsports Development Swift 016a/Mazda ran away from the field and took first going away. Newly inducted SCCA Hall of Famer Jim Downing showed his career isn't yet finished, taking the Prototype 1 win in the No. 63 Downing Atlanta Inc Peach/Mazda.

Glen Cooper moved his No. 43 Ralph Firman Racing/Hoosier Tires/HorseLoversGifts.com RFR F1000 around Jason Slahor's No. 19 Slahor Racing Van Diemen RF98 on the restart, and when Slahor spun while chasing Cooper on the final lap, Cooper took home the Formula 1000 victory.

In a story that's been told before, Scott Rettich drove his No. 17 Alliance Autosport/PDI Communications Formula Enterprises/Ford to a runaway win on Saturday. The group battle to watch was in Formula Continental, where Chuck Moran held an early lead in his No. 45 Van Diemen RF99. Thomas McGregor chased Moran through the early stages, and on lap 15 pulled his No. 93 Honda/Dairy Queen/Sparco Spectrum 014Z alongside Moran up the front straight.

Moran held the lead through turn one, but a lap later McGregor had the run into turn 10 and the lead. Though Moran filled his mirrors to the finish, McGregor kept in front to the checkered flag.

The day ended with a Jim Daniels walkaway in E Production, but each of the other three classes provided some excitement.

The F Production battle saw Don Ahrens' No. 61 AhrensAuto.com/Mazda/Hoosier Mazda Miata in front early, chased by Ken Kannard's No. 51 Northwest Cable/Hoosier/Mazda/OPM Mazda Miata. Patrick Crider's No. 89 Hoosier Tire/Jesse Prather Motorsports/Ducommun Mazda Miata joined that battle, and the three ran nose-to-tail for the lead. Ahrens started to fall off on lap six, and Kannard pulled out some breathing room, but was pushed to the finish knowing Crider remained just a few seconds behind.

Michael Miller turned his fastest H Production laps of the weekend at the end of today's race, moving his No. 64 SportsCarSalvage/AppRaceTire/Comptune Austin Healy Sprite from well

behind Andrew Wright's No. 07 Hoosier/RedLine/East Tennessee Race Prep Triumph Spitfire to the lead on lap 16 to take the lead and, eventually, the win.

The GT-Lite showdown was the one to watch for the duration of the race, as Peter Shadowen's No. 72 Road N Race Automotive/Flat Top Brewing Company Honda CRX Si and Bobby Lentz's No. 60 Nissan Sentra battled all race long in a tooth and nail race.

Shadowen started on pole and led the opening three laps, with the pair running side by side on a number of occasions. Lentz took the lead on lap five, but the gap fluctuated as the pair ran through traffic – both from slower cars and faster cars. Shadowen kept the pressure on Lentz until lap 12, when the No. 72 spun through turn three and came to a stop. Without a threat, Lentz rolled to the finish and a 10-second win.

The BFGoodrich Tires Atlanta Super Tour continues on Sunday from Road Atlanta with Round Six of the Eastern Conference Majors Tour. Live Timing, notes, and audio can be found at SCCA.com/SCCALive.

Results, entry list, schedule and more can be found at SCCA.com/ATLMajors.

BRASELTON, Ga. - Provisional race winners for Saturday's BFGoodrich Tires SCCA Atlanta Super Tour at Road Atlanta, Round Five of the Eastern Conference Majors Tour. Drivers are listed by Class: name, hometown, and car.

American Sedan: Tom Ellis, Sunrise, Fla., Ford Mustang

B-Spec: Travis Washay, Milford, Conn., MINI Cooper

E Production: Jim Daniels, Germantown, Tenn., Mazda Miata

F Production: Ken Kannard, East Troy, Wis., Mazda Miata

H Production: Michael Miller, Walhalla, S.C., Austin Healy Sprite

Formula 500: Clint McMahan, Covington, Ga., Nova KBS-01

Formula 1000: Glen Cooper, Roswell, Ga., RFR F1000

Formula Atlantic: Michael Mallinen, Swift 016a/Mazda

Formula Contental: Scott McGregor, Spectrum 014Z

Formula Enterprises: Scott Rettich, Camden, Ohio, Formula Enterprises

Formula F: Tim Kautz, Geneva, Ill., Piper DF-3D/Honda

Formula Mazda: Robert Noell, Cary, N.C., Formula Mazda

Formula Vee: Laura Hayes, Sacramento, Calif., Protoform P2/Volkswagen

GT-1: Doug Peterson, Bonita Springs, Fla., Chevrolet Corvette

GT-2: Randy Kinsland, Wittier, N.C., Chevrolet Corvette

GT-Lite: Robert Lentz II, Chantilly, Va., Nissan Sentra

Prototype 1: Jim Downing, Atlanta, Ga., Peach Mazda

Prototype 2: Bailey Monette, Milton, Ga., Mazda Sport Racer

Spec Miata: Alex Bolanos, Hialeah, Fla., Mazda Miata

Spec Racer Ford: Brian Schofield, Lakeland, Fla., Spec Racer Ford

Touring 1: Jason Von Kluge, Ann Arbor, Mich., Ford Mustang

Touring 2: Kurt Rezzetano, Phoenixville, Pa., Ford Mustang

Touring 3: Rob May, Wadsworth, Ill., BMW M3

Touring 4: Michael Scornavacchi, Matthews, N.C., Ford Mustang

Super Touring Lite: Brian Shanfeld, Powell, Ohio, Honda Civic Si

Super Touring Under: Matthew Pullano, Endicott, N.Y., Lotus Exige

Convention Report

Jim and I attended the 2014 SCCA National Convention March 7-9 in Charlotte, NC. We attended sessions on Road Rally, Risk Management, Tire Rack Street Survival, and PDX/Time Trials, and feel as though we gathered a lot of really good information to bring back to MoHud members.

Trish Bucci



Electronic sign outside the convention center



Welcome inside the convention center



Awards banquet



Convention floor cars on display



SCCA Hall of Fame inductee Bob Bondurant telling stories during the "Legends" session



The area around Charlotte has a lot of racing garages you can visit



There was sunshine, green grass, and flowers in bloom!



You never know what you might see at a SCCA convention...Jim spotted this in the parking garage – 118 mpg!

Membership Meeting Minutes – March 5, 2014

Submitted by Ron Bass

Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm.

SECRETARY – no report.

MEMBERSHIP – Will reported on recent new Mo-Hud members as well as anniversaries.

KNOCK OFF – articles should be submitted by the 15th of the month. The editor would appreciate if members could share any interesting photos they have for publication.

TREASURER – proposed annual budget was distributed to those attending for review/discussion. Motion carried to accept annual budget as presented to the membership. Motion also carried to reimburse travel and registration expenses for officers and chairpersons attending the National SCCA Convention.

SOLO – Solo Advisory Committee met. Fees will be increased \$5/entrant. Tentative schedule has been prepared and will be finalized after meeting with site owners. Motion carried to reimburse Fortitech \$1000 for site use (in the form of a donation to a charity of Fortitech's choice).

TRSS – scheduled for May 31 and September 20th.

RALLY – no report.

PDX – membership discussed pros and cons of conducting a PDX this year. Considerations include: need for a team effort; potential venues – Lime Rock Park, Thompson; incorporating a PDX with the NER/Mo Hud Club Race at Thompson later this year; possibility of conducting a Time Trial; fiscal issues. DJ stated that he will not have the available time to commit to being Chair of any events this year.

ACTIVITIES – Golf outing and Go Kart night are on the schedule for later this year.

COMPETITION – the first local race of the season will be Mother's Day weekend at Pocono. Date for the Tech Party will be announced shortly.

OLD BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS – Saratoga Auto Museum car show will be May 17th – 18th. We should plan on participating, including providing cars for display. The Region would like to participate at the Guptill Auto show again this year. Jack reminded membership of the need for the Region to be represented at the upcoming Roundtable in April.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.