



# The Blower

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## The Starting Line

REport by Jim Green

### Upcoming Events



Another event planned for September or October. Contact Bob MacDonald for information about becoming a coach.

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The most significant news story in SCCA at the moment is the resignation of Lisa Noble as President and CEO of Sports Car Club of America. If you have been around SCCA for a number of years you would recognize her name as being on the Board of Directors, including being Chairman of the Board for six years. She states that she will continue to compete in SCCA road racing and U.S. Majors Tour program. If you would like to read more about Lisa Noble there is an article on the SCCA website. A nationwide search for the next SCCA President and CEO will begin immediately.

Speaking of searches, the Neohio Region is searching for members who want to get involved with running the region. Nominations for the positions on the board of Neohio will open at the September 6<sup>th</sup> Board of Trustees meeting. Every position on the board will be up for election with the exception of six trustees. There is a description of the positions and responsibilities in this issue of the *Blower*.

## Runners... start your engines!!!

Sports Car Club of America is proud to present the first annual SCCA Runoffs 5K and Checkered Flag Dash at Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course. The run will follow racing Saturday evening, September 24, at the 2016 SCCA National Championship Runoffs, presented by Garmin VIRB.

The first Solo event went very well at the Lake County Captains parking area in Eastlake. There were over 30 cars entered and everyone had eight runs. Even the Mayor of Eastlake attended as a spectator to see how the event was conducted. The next event is August 21, 2016 at the Lake County Captains parking lot at 7:30 a.m. Entries will be limited to the first 50 cars.

Neohio has a region Hall of Fame. If you know of someone that would qualify, let Dorothy Harrington know. Now it's not actually that simple. You need to write something stating why you think this person deserves to be in the Hall of Fame. It will be read by the Hall of Fame Committee and they will make the final determination. This must be done soon, so that the Hall of Fame Committee can complete what needs to be done.

There is information about the 5K run at the Runoffs below if interested.

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### Monthly Meetings

Neohio Board meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month. Any exceptions will be published in *The Blower*.

Meetings are held at 7:00 PM in the private room at Winking Lizard, 25200 Miles Road, Bedford Heights, OH 44146. Members and guests are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Membership meeting dates and times are published in *The Blower*.

### The Blower

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Jim Green, Joe Blaha, Bob Nick, Kerry Klotzman, Tara Oram, Dave Lancaster  
Jeff Blumenthal, Bob MacDonald, Gail Green

**EXCUSED MEMBERS:** Pablo Chois, Jim Pracker

**GUESTS:** Welcome to all.

Meeting called to order by Jim Green at 7:05 pm.

Minutes presented from past meetings for approval. **MOTION** to accept the minutes as presented. *MacDonald/Nick – Approved.*

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** **MOTION** – to accept report as presented. *Lancaster / Klotzman– Approved.*  
Not much activity this month. Nothing unusual.

**REPORTS & COMMITTEE REVIEWS:**

**REGIONAL EXECUTIVE:**

- Joe Willer passed away. Great Steward and a wonderful guy.
- Received offer from High Voltage Karting to give SCCA Members a 10% discount. Show your SCCA membership card.
- Nelson Ledges track days are active. Discussed opportunities for an SCCA event, possibly with other SCCA regions.

**COMPETITION COMMITTEE:** No report this month

**MEMBERSHIP:** 544 members

**SOLO:** The planned event for 7/10 at Eastlake Captains lot was canceled due to contract not being finalized. Purchase of a new generator was discussed. Will finalize when scheduled events is confirmed.

ADDENDUM after meeting: Via email a motion was made to purchase a generator. **MOTION** – to purchase a new Yamaha generator for \$999. *Blumenthal / Nick – Approved (5 votes for, 0 against, 0 abstained)*

**RALLY:** No report this month

**STREET SURVIVAL:** We had a good event at Revere High School. 11 Students attended. We had several positive reviews, including a video from one of the participants, and an email received from the President of the PTSA. Bob MacDonald suggests we have a 'debriefing' meeting to help plan for our next event. Mahoning Valley is having a Street Survival event 9/10/16 and it is suggested that we support their event with volunteers. Bob Nick has event pictures from our Street Survival @ Revere.

**HALL OF FAME:** No report this month. Nominations should be sent to Dorothy Harrington.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- Joe Blaha brought up the lingering issue of questionable assets and our tax return. He suggests we write them off. Kerry Klotzman will contact Maurice LaFond to review these assets stored at the Annex and establish a value, if any.
- Progress on new upgrade to website was discussed and a report was requested.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Suggestion made to reconvene the Nelson Council with surrounding SCCA regions.

Next Meeting:

**MOTION** to adjourn at 8:20 pm. *Oram / MacDonald– Approved*

Respectfully submitted: Jeff Blumenthal

# DATES TO REMEMBER

AUGUST / SEPTEMBER 2016

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
August 8	August 9	August 10	August 11	August 12	August 13	August 14
August 15	August 16	August 17	August 18	August 19	August 20	August 21
August 22	August 23	August 24	August 25	August 26	August 27	August 28
August 29	August 30	August 31	September 1	September 2	September 3	September 4
September 5 Labor Day	September 6 7 P Trustee Meeting @ Winking Lizard Bedford Hts.	September 7	September 8	September 9	September 10	September 11 POR, Detroit Region, SCCA
September 12	September 13	September 14	September 15	September 16	September 17	September 18
September 19	September 20	September 21	September 22 Autumn Begins	September 23	September 24	September 25
<i>Runoffs at Mid-Ohio</i>						

## Your Personal Invitation to Join the Board

Please read through the Board descriptions and look at each position as a personal invitation seeking your participation.

This year all positions are open for election: Regional Executive, Assistant Regional Executive, Treasurer, Recording Secretary, and Membership Secretary and 3 Trustee positions.

### Regional Executive

The Regional Executive (RE) is a *two-year term* and performs the following duties:

- Preside at meetings of the members.
- Sign the records of all member meetings.
- Represent Neohio at meetings of, or in dealings with SCCA.
- Perform all duties usually performed by Presidents of like corporations.
- Perform such other duties as required by the members or Board.
- The immediate outgoing RE will serve on the Board for one year.

### Assistant Regional Executive

The Assistant Regional Executive (RE) is a *one-year term* and performs the following duties:

- Assist the RE in performing tasks required to ensure that the mission and goals of the Region are met.
- Perform all the duties of the RE in the case of the absences, death, or disability of the RE. In case both the RE and Asst. RE are absent or unable to perform their duties, the Trustees may appoint a Regional Executive Pro Tempore.

### Recording Secretary

The Recording Secretary is a *one-year term* and performs the following

duties:

- Keep minutes of all meetings of the members and trustees.
- Make proper record of each meeting.
- Act as custodian of the official copy of this Constitution and Bylaws of the Region.
- Act as custodian of all official documents and records of Neohio.
- Perform such duties as requested by the members or Board.

### Membership Secretary

The Membership Secretary is a *one-year term* and performs the following duties:

- Maintain the Region's membership records, as provided by SCCA National office.
- Provide regularly updated mailing lists for newsletter mailings, annual elections, and any other event requiring membership notification.
- Respond to requests for membership information and do so in the most appropriate method necessary to answer the requester's questions.
- The Membership Secretary must forward dues received from the SCCA National office to the Treasurer, as well as any other dues for dual membership in the Region.
- The Membership Secretary is the only person empowered to make changes in, or deletions from, the mailing lists.

### Treasurer

The Treasurer is a *one-year term* and performs the following duties:

- Receive, manage, record, and disburse all monies belonging to the Region.

- Submit a statement of accounts to the Board for their approval at the regular Board meetings.
- Checks drawn again the Region's accounts must be signed by two officers.
- An internal annual audit of the Region's books will occur within one month of the end of each fiscal year. A Committee of at least three people, not including the Treasurer, must conduct the audit. The Committee must include as least one member in good standing who does not hold an office within the Region.
- Upon expiration of the term of office, the Treasurer will turn over all records, moneys, and property of the Region. The annual internal audit will be considered the final audit of the Treasurer's term.

### Trustee

The Board of Trustees is composed of nine (9) elected members. All elected Trustees will serve a three-year term. The group of nine Trustees is divided into three groups of three in order to stagger the number of Trustees elected in a given year. Each year, three Trustees will be elected; thus, each new Board will provide consistency by retaining six Trustees from previous years.

### Qualifications

All Trustees must be regular members and be carried on the rolls of the Sports Car Club of America as having Neohio as their region of record.

### Powers and Duties of Trustees

The Board of Trustees must carry out the policies and purposes of the Region and will have general charge of the affairs, property, and assets of the Region. The membership delegates to the Board the authority to; adopt and enact those policies consistent with the Charter or Constitution that are deemed by the Board essential to the common and best interest of the membership.



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## SCCA: Lisa Noble Resigns as President & CEO

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Lisa Noble has resigned as President and CEO of the Sports Car Club of America to pursue other challenges, the SCCA Board of Directors announced Wednesday.

Noble had previously served on the SCCA board of directors, including as chairman of the board, for six years before transitioning to the president's role in October 2013. An SCCA member since a teenager, Noble will continue to compete in the club's road racing and U.S. Majors Tour program in her Formula Vee.

Hired as an agent of change, under Noble's watch, the SCCA saw a resurgence in membership and launched a series of experiential initiatives to introduce new participants to motorsports,

including the Tire Rack Starting Line autocross school and Track Night in America driven by Tire Rack. A rebranding of National road racing, the U.S. Majors Tour, also evolved under her leadership.

"While the Board and I had philosophical differences, I know the Club is now positioned for growth and have confidence that the staff and Board will keep our programs alive and well," Noble said. "SCCA will forever be a part of my life and I will contribute in every way I can to the success of our Club."

"We want to sincerely thank Lisa for the time and energy she has put into the SCCA, first as a member, and then with the Board of Directors, and finally piloting the staff as President,"



*Lisa Noble*

John Walsh, Chairman of the SCCA Board of Directors, said. "We look forward to seeing her at the race track again as a friend, Club member and competitor."

A nationwide search for the next SCCA President and CEO will begin immediately. There is no hard deadline set for the hire.

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Taking the green flag at 6:30 p.m., the 5K course includes running a complete lap around the Mid-Ohio race track, and runners will take the checkered flag at the finish line. The one-mile Checkered Flag Dash fun run will precede the 5K at 6:00 p.m. and also finish at the track's finish line, giving the whole family an opportunity to run on the track.

"While the primary purpose of the Runoffs is to crown our National Champions, we're always looking for creative ways to enhance the event," SCCA Club Racing Director Deanna Flanagan said. "When this idea was proposed to us, we believed it had great potential and was a great opportunity to carry forward the Childhood Cancer Month initiative we began at Daytona in 2015."

"We really wanted to try and put together a unique, special event for the Runoffs this year," 5K Race

Director and SCCA club racer Jason Stine said. "Fitness is 'in' with today's society, and the 5K has become one of the most popular events, both for serious and recreational runners. Our goal is to put on a fun, family-oriented event that is not only for Runoffs attendees but also for the local Ohio running community. Special thanks to Fleet Feet Sports Cleveland and Hermes Sports & Events for all of their support in putting on this event."

After crossing the finish line, runners will enjoy food and beverages during the awards ceremony. Several door prizes from event sponsors will be drawn during the ceremony, including SCCA annual memberships, free tire

mounting and balancing services and more!

Registration for the event is now open online. A discounted entry is available for families of three or more. Contact Race Director Jason Stine at [sccarunoffs5k@gmail.com](mailto:sccarunoffs5k@gmail.com) for details.

Participants and volunteers will also have the opportunity to purchase general admission tickets to attend the Runoffs at a discounted rate (more details to come). For more information on the SCCA Runoffs, please visit [www.scca.com/runoffs](http://www.scca.com/runoffs). Here's a link to registration: <http://www.hermescleveland.com/roadracing/events/midohio.asp>

**2016 SCCA Runoffs Presented by Garmin VIRB**

September 19 - 25, 2016

Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course

7721 Steam Corners Road, Lexington, OH, 44904

# Great Lakes SCCA 2016 Race Schedule (As of 11/18/2015)

DATES for 2016	DRIVER'S SCHOOLS	REGIONALS	MAJORS	PDX or SCCA PRO EVENTS or OTHER EVENTS
January 21 - 23		National Convention	Las Vegas, NV	South Point Conf. Center
March 12		Spring Training	Findlay, Oh	Findlay Inn
April 2 & 3				
April 9 & 10				
April 15 - 17				
April 23 & 24	Waterford			
April 30 & May 1				
May 7 & 8 (Mothers Day)				
May 14 & 15				
May 21 & 22		SBR, DET & WOR @ GM (D)		PDX ON SUNDAY (5/22)
May 28, 29 & 30 (Memorial Day)				
June 3 - 5			OVR @ Mid Ohio	
June 11 & 12				
June 18 & 19 (Father's Day)				
June 25 & 26		WMR @ GRA (D)		SVRA @ Mid Oho
July 2, 3 & 4 (4th of July)				
July 9 & 10			SBR & DET @ GM	
July 15 - 17		OVR @ Mid Ohio (D)		Friday 15th) - TBA
July 23 & 24				
July 30 & 31				INDY @ Mid Ohio
August 5 & 7		Cincy @ Mid Ohio (D)		PDX (Friday 5)
August 12 & 13				NASCAR @ Mid Ohio
August 13 & 14			WMR @ GRA	
August 20 & 21				
August 27 & 28				
Sept. 3, 4 & 5 (Labor Day)				
Sept. 10 & 11				
Sept. 15 - 18	Test Days for Runoffs - Mid Ohio			
Sept. 19 - 25	Runoffs - Mid Ohio			
Oct. 1 & 2				
Oct. 7 - 9		OVR @ MO (D)		PDX @ MO (Friday 7th)
Oct. 15 & 16				
Oct. 22 & 23				
Oct. 29 & 30				
Nov. 5 Note ES Time Change	GLD Scheduling Meeting in ????			
Nov. 12 & 13				
T=Tentative	R=Restricted	D=Double	C=Champ Series Event	M=Majors
GM-GingerMan	GRA-Grattan	Q= Quad Only 1 sanction per day counts		DS=Drivers School
NL-Nelson Ledges	MO-Mid Ohio	MIS-Mich Internat. Speedway	WAT-Waterford Hills	
NCM - National Corvette Museum Motorsports Park	PIRC-Pittsburgh International Race Complex			



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## I'VE GOT IT- YOU WANT IT Classified Ads For Members

Classified ads for Neohio members run for three issues. If your item sells before the third month, contact The Blower newsletter editor to remove the ad.

### MISC

Triumph-TR-3 Engine; FIAT 600 Engine. Larry at 216-321-6045, 10 AM to 5 PM.\*\*\*

### CARS

'99 Acura Integra ITS #13, always a winner, price cut from \$11,000 to **\$7,500**/offer; '91 Lotus Elan M-100, low miles, original owner, great track car! Price cut from \$9,850 to **\$7,500**/offer. Pat Kane, 440-785-3432.\*\*\*

2005 MINI Cooper S. 6 speeds, loaded. 97,325 mi., plenty of updates/modifications, super clean, well maintained. \$7,000/OBO. Bill Snow 216-659-1179.\*\*\*

EB 6500x Watt Honda Generator. Great for job site, back up power at home & race trailer. 120/240V, 20A & 30A service, quiet for size, 26 hours of run time. \$1850. Bill Snow 216-659-1179.\*\*\*

MOTOROLA SP 50 long track radio system. Includes 3 radios, 2 headsets, 2 car wiring harness w/antenna, push to talk button, belts, manuals, chargers & hard case. New batteries in all radios. \$750. miatidds1@gmail.com. Photos upon request. Mark Iati, www.stowdental.com or 330-328-7925.\*\*\*

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- 1/8 Page - \$15 / month (3.5" x 2") \$40 / 3 months

**20% Discount to Neohio member**

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