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Newsletter of NEOHIO Region, SCCA

UPCOMING EVENTS

**Tire Stacking/
Work Day @ Nelson
April 9th**

**Check the NEOHIO
Region Website/
Facebook for Details**

**We Need
Your Help!**

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The Starting Line

Report by Dave Lancaster

I am excited to get the 2022 NEOHIO Region Competition Season started. The team has been working hard to provide the area with some good events in 2022.

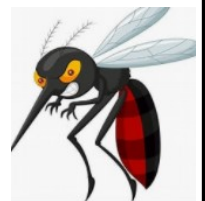
April and May are packed with activities starting out with our Annual-Work Day at Nelson Ledges Road Course, followed with our Home Opener Time Trial. The Time Trial is open to anyone who wants to come out in a race car or passenger and get their competitive skills started for 2022. May is a busy month with our Ohio Milk Run Rally, then the National Enduro at Nelson Ledges, and will close the month out by helping our friends at MVR with a Divisional Club Race. Wow, all this is only the first two months of the season!

I want to convey to our members the importance of our Work-Day at Nelson Ledges Raceway on April 9th. We need our members help this year as there are some SCCA specific areas of attention needed at the track. The track is up for a SCCA re-inspection and we have figured out a better way to control traffic with Emergency Services and the Grid. Both our Time Trial and Club Races will benefit from these improvements.

I have heard a few people ask why they need to help when they already pay to play. It is not the majority of you, but for those that do not know this we Nelson Ledges is in a rebuilding phase and anything we can do to help is going to benefit our region long term. What most may not realize, is that we have had some very attractive rental fee's offered to us to help us build our programs. We need to repay them with our loyalty and help where we can to ensure their long term success.

Another reason to come out is that Bob and Lynn Roberts along with Pat Prill are providing two kinds of chili for lunch for all of us. This is an awesome gesture by them and I for one am not missing their fine cooking.

Please sign up on Facebook or respond to me at regexec@neohioscca.com and let us know your coming. I promise this will not be a hard day's work. The track will be breaking down the tires for us with a backhoe and we just need to restack properly. Brian promised he will have the tires critter free and it's too early for the mosquitoes.





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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 encouraged to attend.

Membership meeting dates and times are shown in the **Blower**.

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NEOHIO Region, SCCA Inc. Calendar of Events

April 9	TIRE STACKING @ NLRC	
April 22-23	HOME OPENER TIME TRIAL @ NLRC	
MAY 14	OHIO MILK RUN RALLY TUSCARAWAS COUNTY OH	
MAY 20	ENDURO TEST & TUNE @ NLRC	
MAY 20	TRACK NIGHT IN AMERICA @ NLRC	
MAY 21-22	SCCA NATIONAL TEAM ENDURO @ NLRC	
MAY 28-29	MAHONING VALLEY CLUB RACE @ NLRC	

CCPL	Lake County Captains Parking Lot, Eastlake, OH
GCF	Geauga County Fairgrounds, Burton, OH
NLRC	Nelson Ledges Road Course, Garrettsville, OH
TBD	To Be Decided



NEOHIO REGION NEEDS YOUR HELP APRIL 9TH!



Nelson Ledges Tire Stacking Day!
We need at least 30 volunteers to join us!
LUNCH PROVIDED!



NEOHIO Region

Board Meeting Minutes February 1, 2022

Members Present:

Brandon Anderson (Trustee '22)	Bill Crowe (Trustee '23)
Brenda Nick (Trustee '23)	Daniel Griewisch (Trustee '24)
Pat Prill (Trustee '24)	Kurt Stevens (Trustee '24)
Dave Lancaster (R.E.)	Bob MacDonald (Asst. R.E.)
Joe Blaha (Treas.)	Ray Glover (Rec. Sec.) Tara Oram (Mem. Sec.)

Members Excused: Betsy McIntyre (Trustee '22) and Bill Moore (Trustee '23)

Guests: Duane Harrington, Greg Lester, Jennifer Dietz, Debbie LaFond, and Jon Krolewicz.

Call to Order: The Zoom meeting was called to order by R.E. Dave Lancaster at 7:30pm.

Review of Prior Minutes: Minutes from the January 4, 2022 Zoom meeting were emailed to the Board by Ray Glover for approval. A motion to accept the minutes as corrected was made by Bob MacDonald, seconded by Joe Blaha, and approved without objection.

Treasurer's Report: Joe Blaha noted the audit was completed and presented his February Treasurer's Report. Bob MacDonald stated the MVR check will be coming soon. Pat Prill noted there would be a couple of Awards Celebration refunds. A motion to approve the report was made by Pat Prill, seconded by Daniel Griewisch, and approved without objection.

Membership: Tara Oram reported the following:

- Currently there are 589 members.
- 9 members lapsed in December.
- There were 7 new members in January.

Officer and Committee Reports:

Regional Executive Report: Dave Lancaster reported the following:

- Jon Krolewicz is the National event lead for the Enduro.
- The convention seminars are on YouTube for viewing.
- Nelson Ledges is doing some additional paving in the paddock, some false grid work, and Timing Tower updates. However, the bathrooms are on hold.
- We need to pick an April date for tire stacking at Nelson - Saturday, April 9th was selected.
- Spring Training is March 5th in Fort Wayne.

Club Racing: Debbie LaFond reported the following:

Per last night's call regarding the Enduro:

- Friday morning - Enduro testing.
- Friday afternoon - Enduro qualifying.
- Friday evening - Track Night in America.
- Saturday race: 9:00am - 5:00pm.
- Sunday race: 8:30am - 4:30pm.

The event will be called "SCCA Team Enduro National Tour at Nelson Ledges"

There will be a social on Saturday evening.

Food trucks might be invited in to feed the drivers and crews (we will feed the workers).

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Trustees Meeting Minutes continued

Solo: Brandon Anderson reported the following:

Eyeing a potential site in Cleveland.

Bill Crowe suggested asking about the Muny Lot when contacting Cleveland.

Rally Cross: Dave Lancaster reported the following:

Southington would like to do more events with us in 2022.

Road Rally: Greg Lester reported there was no new news.

Time Trial: Daniel Griewisch reported the following:

For the April 23 & 24, 2022 Divisional Time Trial at Nelson Ledges the sanction is in hand and most positions are filled, confirming the sponsor for the Saturday social.

Jennifer Dietz noted a Time Trial logo is in the works.

Second date has been confirmed as October 8 & 9, 2022 at Nelson Ledges. This is the week after the Runoffs.

Awards Celebration: Pat Prill reported the following:

There were 73 attendees.

Congratulations to Pat and her team, Brenda, Bob MacDonald, and Bob Roberts.

There will be a full accounting by next month.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Jennifer Dietz putting together a promotions budget for next month.

Bob MacDonald made a motion to approve a budget of up to \$300.00 for a new Reed Andrews Perpetual Trophy (as the old one is full), seconded by Bill Crowe, and approved without objection.

Pat Prill stated the audit committee found everything in order with the Neohio accounts and a letter stating such will be forthcoming from Betsy McIntyre.

Bill Crowe suggested having some additional business cards printed to hand out to interested parties. They would need to be updated from the last batch with the addition of Time Trials, Rally Cross, and Enduro. Jason Pokines might have the files. Jennifer Dietz will add them to her promotions budget.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn made by Bill Crowe, seconded by Kurt Stevens, meeting adjourned at 8:22pm.

Next Meeting to be 7:30pm March 1, 2022 via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,

Ray Glover,

Recording Secretary





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NEOHIO Region 2022 Milk Run Rally — Coming May 14th

Register Here: <http://msreg.com/OMR22>

NEOHIO Region, SCCA invites you to enter the 2022 Ohio Milk Run Rally. The ~150 mile route will wind through the hills of Ohio's Tuscarawas, Coshocton and surrounding counties. Competitors can expect a straightforward, gimmick-free Time-Speed-Distance (TSD) road rally with emphasis on precise timing at well placed controls. The rally will count toward both the SCCA Great Lakes Division Rally Championship, and the SCCA National Touring Rally Championship (Divisional Rally).

Start Location: Bob Evans Restaurant, 895 Commercial Pkwy., Dover, OH 44622 (N40°31.465', W081°29.415').

NOTE: All teams must enter through MSR. NO WALK-IN ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED ON THE DAY OF THE RALLY!

Information (Rallymaster): Ron Johnstonbaugh, Ph. [330.807.5293](tel:330.807.5293),

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Notes from the Director's Chair Area 4 Director Update for March, 2022

The racing season has already started in the warmer climes of our country....but, of course, not here. With all due apologies to our RoadRally and RallyX friends who run around in the snow, its still way too damn cold to play with race cars (at least for me). J

I hope everyone has registered for the divisional Spring meeting. If so, I'll see you there. If you haven't, please consider joining us in Fort Wayne on Saturday March 5th with a casual gathering the night before. You can register by following this [link](#). I look forward to seeing you there.

Last month I mentioned that there is a new path to getting your annual waiver. You can now get it through the Member Account Portal (MAP). Follow this [link](#) to get the instructions. There is also a story about the program [here](#). I've done it and it takes only a couple of minutes. Be prepared to upload a headshot picture of yourself.

The various national schedules for 2022 are starting to coalesce and they can be found here:

[Pro Solo/National Tour](#), [Time Trials National Tour](#), [Hoosier Super Tour](#), [Enduro](#).

Video Conference Meetings:

Club Racing Board (CRB) (2/1): The CRB is dealing with a lot of "balance of performance" (BoP) requests from the BSpec community. We spent a lot of time wrestling with how to equilibrate the class. The results can be seen [here](#).

Electrified Vehicle Advisory Committee (EVAC) (2/9): Our SCCA National Convention presentation went very well. We thought that for a weekday afternoon time slot, we had pretty good attendance. There were over 100 who attended "live" and twice that have watched the recording of the presentation since then. If you're interested, its available to viewing on YouTube at this [link](#). Our regular meeting continued working on various rules packages and laying out the steps for implementation.

EVAC (2/15): We had an additional meeting to work on additional language for our EV wiring protocol. This was a couple of hours of VERY esoteric stuff. Mind numbingly boring....but necessary.

EVAC (2/24): A couple of us from the EVAC had a side meeting with Peter Jankovskis (BoD Chair) and Steve Strickland (BoD Vice Chair) to iron out some feedback they had gotten from some of the program boards. Most were simple misunderstandings of the intent and once we discussed it, all apprehensions were erased.

BoD (2/28): As it's so close to the end of the month, I'll report on this meeting in my next update.

SCCA Events:

As the competition season is over for most of our specialties, I did not attend any SCCA events this past month. I have updated my calendar on the GLDiv website with events I'd like to go to this season. Click [here](#) to see where I'll be this summer. All that is about to change as I head to Fort Wayne for the

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divisional meeting on 3/4, 3/5. After that, I'll be off to VIR for a Major race there in early April (and a visit to my brother who lives close by the track).

Just a quick reminder, if any region out there wants to have an "Ask the Director" session during your monthly meetings, please do not hesitate to contact me so we can schedule a visit. I retired last summer so have plenty of free time and would thoroughly enjoy the chance to visit with your members.

Thank you for your time and I look forward to hearing from you soon. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or comments you may have about any facet of the GLDiv. I want you to make the most of your membership and I will help out in any way possible to make that happen.



The Longest Day Remembered

This is a photo from the Longest Day of Nelson Ledges 24 Hours Race in 1981. First place finish before tech DQ. CO-Drivers included Jim Briody, Bob Nagel, Jean Marc Piquet and Danny Sullivan who won the 1985 INDY 500 after a spectacular spin in front of Mario Andretti. Used with the permission of driver Jean Marc Piquet.

Great Lakes Division Schedule for 2022

Regional Races – Eligible for 2022 Divisional Championship			
May 14 & 15	GingerMan	Detroit-South Bend	Double Regional
May 28 & 29	Waterford Hills	Detroit	Double Regional
June 18 & 19	Grattan	WMR	Double Regional
July 9 & 10	Nelson Ledges	Neohio	Double Regional
July 30 & 31	Mid-Ohio	Cincy	Double Regional
Sept 3 & 4	Mid-Ohio	OVR	Double Regional
Regional Races – Eligible for 2023 Divisional Championship			
Oct 15 & 16	Mid-Ohio	OVR*	Double Regional
Majors Races – Not Included in Divisional Championship			
June 11 & 12	Mid-Ohio	OVR	Majors
July 23 & 24	GingerMan	Detroit-South Bend	Majors
Aug 20 & 21	Grattan	WMR	Majors

Divisional championship requires a minimum of five (5) starts at a minimum of two (2) different tracks. The points from the best seven (7) finishes count. The October 15/16 event does not qualify for the 2022 Divisional Championship. Majors races do not qualify for Divisional championship points or Divisional path to Runoffs.

All Double Regional races are included in the various paths to the Runoffs. *Races eligible for 2022 qualification are the October 2021 event thru the September 2022 event.* The October 2022 event counts for the 2023 Runoffs and the 2023 Divisional Championship.



Please consult the GCR for other paths to the Runoffs. Consult Fast Track and SCCA bulletins for updates and changes due to the COVID 19 Pandemic protocols.

FOR A COMPLETE REVIEW OF THE GLD CHAMPIONSHIP RULES GO TO NEOHIOSCCA.COM.

**WE WILL NEED YOUR HELP AT THE TIRE STACKING/WORK DAY
@ NELSON ON APRIL 9th.
MORE DETAILS ON THE NEOHIO REGION WEBSITE!!**

Historic Nelson Ledges Guess the Driver

Tried another kind of racing. Endurance. He had been seen getting some seat time in several of the Original Longest Day of Nelsons in the '80s. No, I won't tell the guessed names, so you guess by elimination. Send your guess to doubledlhtwo@yahoo.com. Please include your name.

No prizes except knowing that you are not alone being an "Old Timer".



Hope you will take a moment to send in your answer!

ANNUAL TECH INSPECTIONS

NEOHIO will not be having an Annual Tech Inspection day in 2022. Anyone that needs an Annual Inspection for SCCA Competition Racing should contact Maurice LaFond at 440-946-2207 to set up an appointment. Please make sure that you make arrangements more than two weeks in advance of your first event.



NEOHIO Region would like to extend our thanks to **Summit Racing Equipment** for their longstanding support of NEOHIO Region and motorsports activities in our area! Please show your support by being a customer of our home-grown speed shop.



2022 Great Lakes Division SOLO Series

June 18 th & 19 th	Indianapolis Region 2 day, 2 events Grissom Aeroplex Peru, IN
June 25 th & 26 th	Southern West Virginia Region 2 day, 2 events WVU-Parkersburg Parkersburg, WV
July 10 th	Northwestern Ohio Region Toledo Express Airport Swanton, OH
July 23 rd & 24 th	Fort Wayne Region 2 day, 2 events War Memorial Coliseum Fort Wayne, IN
August 6 th Saturday	South Bend Region Grissom Aeroplex Peru, IN
Sept. 17 th & 18 th	Cincinnati Region 2 day, 2 events Traders World Monroe, OH
October 8 th & 9 th	Fort Wayne/ Indiana Northwest 2 day, 2 events Grissom Aeroplex Peru, IN

Best 8 of 12 for Year End Awards Must run 5 events to Qualify

Special Award(s) for TOP PAX Points Average minimum 8 events

Rules will be posted on www.gldsc.ca.com under SOLO Series



Saturday
April 23, 2022
TrackSprints

Sunday
April 24, 2022
Time Attacks

HOMEOPENER
TIME TRIAL

Nelson Ledges Road Course

TrackSprints - Similar to an Auto-X, utilizes partial track, run from timing light to timing light. \$80 for Saturday only.

Time Attacks - Utilizes the whole track with designated passing zones. \$225 for Sunday only. Transponders required (rentals available).

Time Trials - Combines both Track Sprints and Time Attacks. \$260.

Awards - presented for Saturday's Track Sprints, Sunday's Time Attacks, and Time Trials (both days combined).

Car Classes range from daily drivers to full competition race cars.

Run groups based on experience: Novice, Intermediate, and Advanced.

General info: TimeTrials.SCCA.com

More info and registration: MotorsportsReg.com

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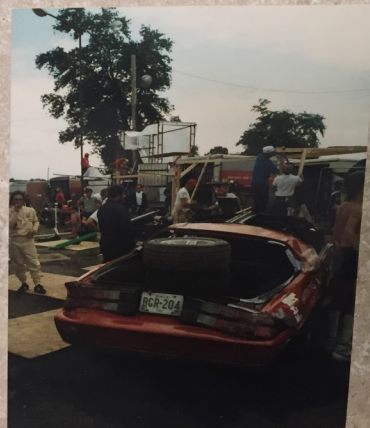
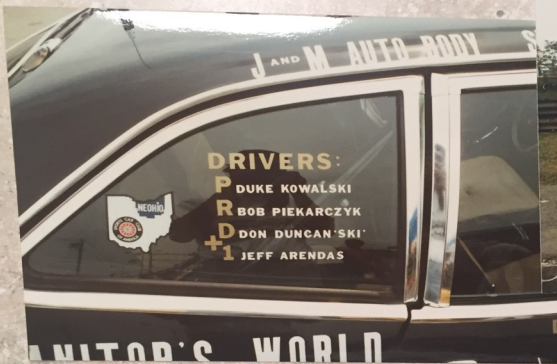


All events will be run in compliance with Ohio and SCCA COVID-19 guidelines.

BJNick



Above: The Longest Day of Nelson 1980 (photographer unknown) Below: Submitted by a member.





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(older Honda Accord et al.) 5 7/8" backspace
Anthracite grey Slight curb rash

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\$40 3 months