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***Annual Awards Celebration***  
***January 29, 2022 !!***

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## The Starting Line Report by Dave Lancaster

The 2021 NEOHIO Region competition season is coming to an end. We have three competition events remaining for 2021. A Time Trial/Track Sprints at Nelson Ledges, The Johnny Appleseed Road Rally and our final Rally Cross of 2022. I want to thank all the volunteers that made this competition season a success. In 2021 The NEOHIO Region succeeded in developing new programs, improved our existing pool programs and increased membership during these very strange times.

The team running your region is coming together very nicely. We are working hard to bring you better events in 2022. There are some new ideas coming into our meetings from newer members, as well as some great advice from our veteran members. I am very excited with the teamwork we have developed and welcome more members to join our planning processes. It is a great time for the NEOHIO Region.

The off season brings us some opportunities for our members to get together to socialize and discuss the previous year's successes. First up is our Annual Membership Meeting and NEOHIO 2022 Election. Back by popular demand is an evening at Boss Pro Karting on November 16, 2021. The agenda for the Annual Meeting is going to be simple and fun time. The Program Managers will present the accomplishments of 2021 and our plans for 2022 for their respected events. Then we will tally the ballots for the 2022 open positions. The evening will close with some social time and a Karting Challenge Event. This is a great time to come out and learn more about what the NEOHIO Region has to offer in 2022 and have some racing fun!

The second off season event is our Annual Awards Celebration. This event is about recognizing individual accomplishments of our competitors and our volunteers for a successful 2021. To help encourage more participation from our membership the team has elected to move the 2021 NEOHIO Awards Celebration to a more casual location. The proposed date is January 29<sup>th</sup> and the location will be confirmed soon. The cost for attending will also be reduced to encourage more membership participation. Listening to the planning committee I am excited to see some of the fun format they are working on for this event. Please join us as we honor those that had great competition seasons as well as the members that supported the region's events.

All NEOHIO Board of Trustee Meetings are open to members and your input at these meetings is always welcome. The Zoom link is available by contacting any Board Member.



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**Region Points** Regional Championship points are tracked during the year. Each month points are posted at <https://neohioscca.com/road-racing/region-championship-points/>, in the *Blower* and on Facebook. Contact Debbie LaFond.

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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 for 2021

OCT. 16	TIME TRIAL TRACK SPRINTS	NLR
OCT. 17	TRACK ATTACK	NLR
NOV. 13	NEOHIO Rally-X Southington, OH	

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



### Congratulations to all of our NEOHIO drivers that went to Indy for the SCCA National Runoffs!

It was a perfect weather week for practice and qualifying and the first day of racing. Unfortunately the second two days of racing were not completely dry. There were some medals brought back from our drivers as well as some broken cars. We would love to hear stories, pictures, and thanks that you may want to share. This also goes for any of our hard working volunteers that ventured out for the week.

Keith Jones - T4 - started 46th and finished 34th of 37 finishers

Jason Stine - HP - started 15th and finished 17th of 28 finishers

Jonathan Davis - SM - started 12th and finished 11th of 70 finishers

Brian Farnham - FV - started 6th and finished 2nd of 41 finishers, missed 1st by .107 seconds!

Mark Farnham - FV - started 16th and finished 25th of 41 finishers

Ali Salih - T2 - unfortunately did not finish

Rob Piekarczyk - B-Spec - started 5th and finished 7th of 57 finishers

William Moore - GT2 - started 11th and finished 12th of 15 finishers

Terry Gilles - GT2 - had issues during the week and did not make the race

Max Gee - STL - started 6th and finished 3rd of 34 finishers

Dan Harding - STL - started 32nd and finished 25th of 34 finishers

Edward Eckart - STL - started 35th and finished 28th of 34 finishers

Robert Dietz - FF - started 12th and finished 9th of 22 finishers

James Dietz - FF - started 19th and finished 17th of 22 finishers

Craig Chima - FP - started 1st and finished 11th of 30 finishers

David Strittmatter and Larry Funk - FP - both had issues and did not make the race

Mark Defer - FC - started 26th and finished 18th of 30 finishers

S. Sandy Satullo III - SRF3- started 2nd and finished 3rd of 65 finishers

*-Submitted by Deb LaFond*



## NEOHIO Region, SCCA Board Meeting Minutes September 7, 2021

### Members Present:

Daniel Griewisch (Trustee '21)	Brandon Anderson (Trustee '22)
Betsy McIntyre (Trustee '22)	Bill Moore (Trustee '23)
Bob Nick (Trustee '23)	Dave Lancaster (R.E.)
Joe Blaha (Treas.)	Ray Glover (Rec. Sec.)

### Members Excused:

Bob MacDonald (Trustee '21 & Asst. R.E.), Bill Crowe (Trustee '23), and Tara Oram (Mem. Sec.).

**Guests:** Kurt Stevens, Brenda Nick, Duane Harrington, Greg Lester, Pat Prill, and Taylor Allen.

**Call to Order:** The Zoom meeting was called to order by R.E. Dave Lancaster at 7:33pm.

**Review of Prior Minutes:** Minutes from the August 3, 2021 Zoom meeting were presented by Ray Glover for approval. A motion to accept the minutes as corrected was made by Bob Nick, seconded by Betsy McIntyre, and approved without objection.

**Treasurer's Report:** Joe Blaha presented his September Treasurer's Report. A motion to approve the report was made by Brandon Anderson, seconded by Ray Glover, and approved without objection.

**Membership:** Dave Lancaster reported the following:

Last month there were 578 members. This month, 590 members.

### Officer and Committee Reports:

**Regional Executive Report:** Dave Lancaster reported the following:

There are two open Trustee positions due to resignations:

Kurt Stevens (F&C) is interested.

Taylor Allen (Time Trial) is also interested.

Pat Prill volunteered to be the banquet chair again:

In person or virtual?

Pat recommends virtual again like last year.

Next year will be Neohio's 70th anniversary, hold it at Crawford again (like 50th)?

Dave has reserved Boss Pro-Karting on November 16, 2021 for the annual membership meeting. Bill Moore questioned holding an indoor group event.

For the 2022 election the following officers have agreed to run again:

Joe Blaha, Treasurer	Ray Glover, Recording Secretary	
Tara Oram, Membership Secretary	Bob MacDonald, Asst. RE	Daniel Griewisch, Trustee

**Solo:** Brandon Anderson reported the following:

The August 21, 2021 Starting Line school had 12 entrants.

Currently working on the expense report for the event.

The August 22, 2021 Solo had 26 participants.

The September 4, 2021 event had 28.

Next event is October 10, 2021 which will be the 8th and final event of the 2021 season.

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## ***Board Meeting minutes continued***

### **Time Trial:** Betsy McIntyre reported the following:

The time trial committee is meeting tomorrow.

Bill Snow marketing material.

Thanks Brenda Nick for the flyer.

Bob Nick is getting rental transponders.

### **Road Rally:** Greg Lester reported the following:

The Johnny Appleseed Rally will be Saturday, October 23, 2021.

Registration is live on MotorsportReg.

The event will use Richta timing (cell phone based app.).

### **Rally Cross:** Dave Lancaster reported the following:

Sanction is in hand for the November 16, 2021 Rally Cross at Southington.

Need entrants.

### **Club Racing:** Dave Lancaster:

New scales were purchased for \$800, ramps still to be determined.

Sound equipment needs to be recertified, cost to be \$138.

Nelson Ledges is looking to update the timing tower second floor. Some input from interested parties has already been gathered by Dave Lancaster and Bob MacDonald. Ray Glover to draw up a proposed plan and gather additional input.

SCCA National's Enduro Series to be 5 races. The Longest Day is being considered.

Four tentative weekends have been reserved at Nelson Ledges for Neohio events TBD:

### **Old Business:**

It was decided to table the decision on whether to hold an in person or virtual annual meeting until next month's Trustee's meeting.

Election Committee:

Jason Pokines (?)

Pat Prill and Bill Moore both volunteered.

### **New Business:**

Kurt Stevens was nominated to fill the remainder of Jason Pokine's ('21) open trustee position. He was approved unanimously by the board.

Taylor Allen was nominated to fill the remainder of Evan Smith's ('22) open trustee position. He was approved unanimously by the board.

Brandon Anderson was elected to fill the remainder of Kerianne Sidoti's ('22) open trustee position at last month's meeting.

Duane Harrington noted that Mike Connolly's wife passed away.

Joe Blaha noted that the region's Zoom account needs to be renewed at \$160 and not at the reduced first year rate of \$105 as per last year. Betsy McIntyre moved to approve \$160 to renew the Zoom account, seconded by Bob Nick, and approved without objection.

Joe Blaha ran through his credit card research. Bob Nick made a motion to start the credit card application process, seconded by Taylor Allen, and approved without objection.

**Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn made by Ray, seconded by Brandon Anderson, meeting adjourned at 9:04pm.

Next Meeting to be 7:30pm October 5, 2021 via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted, Ray Glover, Recording Secretary





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## NEOHIO Hall of Fame Call for Nominations

NEOHIO Region has a rich history of our members bringing honor to the region and/or contributing to the greater good of SCCA racing. Based on that history, NEOHIO has created a Hall of Fame honoring NEOHIO members, now in its 7<sup>th</sup> year. New members will be inducted at the banquet in 2022, adding to the 23 current members.

This is a call for nominations. Nominees can be drivers or workers. NEOHIO members should send nomination letters (email messages) along with an SCCA bio of the individual to Sherrie Weitzenhof, [sweitzenho@aol.com](mailto:sweitzenho@aol.com). The Hall of Fame committee (Sherrie Weitzenhof, Dorothy Harrington, Duane Harrington, Bob Roberts, Bob Nick and Jeff Blumenthal) will review the nominations based on the criteria, the nomination letter and the bio.

### Purpose

To honor those who contributed to the region through their volunteer work or who brought honor to the region for their accomplishments.

### Criteria for Membership

- Doesn't have to be a current NEOHIO member but has to have made contributions to the region or SCCA while a NEOHIO member.
- The person spent a substantial amount of time as a NEOHIO member.
- For a driver, it has to be someone who has brought honor to the region for his/her accomplishments on the national or professional level.

### Nominations

- A NEOHIO member has to make the nomination.
- The nomination must include a letter including why the nomination is being made, plus the person's bio with their SCCA related accomplishments.



## 2022 NEOHIO Officers & Trustees Election Ballot

Vote Online at <https://neohioscca.com/vote/> or USE this page as a printed ballot.

(On-line Voting Closes at 6:00 PM November 16<sup>th</sup>)

(See instructions for printed ballots below)

**Regional Executive:** Dave Lancaster  
(Currently half-way through two-year term, not up for election)

**Assistant Regional Executive:** Bob MacDonald \_\_\_\_\_  
(Vote for 1, 1-year term)  
Write In \_\_\_\_\_

**Recording Secretary:** Ray Glover \_\_\_\_\_  
(Vote for 1, 1-year term)  
Write In \_\_\_\_\_

**Treasurer:** Joe Blaha \_\_\_\_\_  
(Vote for 1, 1-year term)  
Write In \_\_\_\_\_

**Membership Secretary:** Tara Oram \_\_\_\_\_  
(Vote for 1, 1-year term)  
Write In \_\_\_\_\_

**Trustees (VOTE for 3)** Daniel Griewisch \_\_\_\_\_  
(3 Year Term) Pat Prill \_\_\_\_\_  
Kurt Stevens \_\_\_\_\_  
Write In \_\_\_\_\_

### Instructions for submitting printed ballots:

Please do not put your member number on the ballot itself. Place the ballot in an envelope with your member number on the outside so your vote can be verified as valid. You can either bring your printed ballot to the Annual Meeting (see information elsewhere in the Blower) or mail it to the Election Committee Chairperson whose address is listed here:

Brandon Anderson Election Committee Chairperson  
2501 Chagrin Dr. Willoughby Hills, OH 44094

**NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING    TUESDAY NOVEMBER 16th**



**18301 Brookpark Road, Cleveland**

**Pizza, Wings & Salad will be provided by NEOHIO**

**Schedule:**

**6:00-6:30 PM Arrivals**

**6:30-7:15 Meeting**

**7:30-9:00 Racing**

**9:00 Election Results**



**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.

**Remaining 2021 SCCA Great Lakes Division Rally Championship Events:**

October 23 - **Johnny Appleseed**, Bolivar, OH. NEOHIO Region

November 6 - **Lake Erie Covered Bridges**, Conneaut, OH. Misery Bay Region

November 20 - **Pavement Ends**, Whitmore Lake, MI. Detroit Region

**NEOHIO Rally-X:**

NEOHIO Region, SCCA will host a Rally-X on Saturday, November 13, 2021 at Southington Off-Road Park (near Garrettsville, Ohio). Registration for this event is open on [motorsportreg.com](https://motorsportreg.com).





## NEOHIO DRIVERS AT THE OVR AUTUMN CLASSIC @ MID-OHIO

Bob MacDonald - SM - 14th & 15th - also 3rd in the Enduro	
Max Gee - SM - 4th & 6 <sup>th</sup>	Jonathan Davis - SM - 2nd & 1st
Robert Kucera - SM - 5th & 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Chase McIntyre - SM - 12th & 25th
Bob Kucera - SM - 11th both days	Raymond Glover - B-Spec - 2nd both days
Matthew Jacko - ITC - 5th both days	Jason Jacko - ITC - 2nd and 1st
Markus Juhasz - ITC - 10th & 6 <sup>th</sup>	Stephen Jacko - ITC - 6th & 2nd
Richard Nemeth - ITC - 8th & 10 <sup>th</sup>	Nicholas Boyas - ITA - 5th & 2nd
Thomas Podmore - ITA - 3rd & 6 <sup>th</sup>	Robert Stoller - ITA - 6th & 4th
Lee Spuhler - SRF3 - 15th & 11 <sup>th</sup>	Bill Hornack - SRF - 3rd & 3rd
Evan Gaston - GTL - 1st both days	Chase McIntyre - STL - 1st & 2nd
Sean Hinkle - AS - 3rd Saturday	Aaron Quine - GT2 - 1st Saturday

Submitted by Deb LaFond



## 2021 Johnny Appleseed Rally

NEOHIO Region, SCCA will host the Johnny Appleseed Rally on Saturday, October 23, 2021. This is a straightforward TSD road rally counting toward the SCCA Great Lakes Division and National Touring Rally Championships. The rally will start and finish in Bolivar. The approximately 150 mile course will wind through the hills of Ohio's Tuscarawas, Harrison and Belmont counties. The emphasis will be on precise timing at well placed controls.

The Johnny Appleseed name is a legacy from a National rally hosted by NEOHIO in the 1950's and 1960's, and resurrected in 1993.

More information is available, and online registration is open here: <http://msreg.com/JAR2021>



## SAVE THE DATE! JANUARY 29, 2022 ANNUAL AWARDS CELEBRATION

Plan to join in the celebration as the Region recognizes the accomplishments of its members in the relaxed and casual atmosphere of the Winking Lizard Party Room in Bedford Heights!

More information later but for now **SAVE THE DATE!**



Bob Roberts

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\$250 / 3 months
- 1/2 Page—\$45 / month (8" x 5.25")  
\$120 / 3 months
- 1/4 Page—\$25 / month (4"x5")  
\$65 / 3 months
- 1/8 Page \$15 / month (3.5"x2")  
\$40 3 months