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The Starting Line

REport by Kerry Klotzman

UPCOMING EVENTS

Solo Nationals

9/4-9/8/17

Lincoln, Nebraska

National

Championship

Runoffs

9/25-10/1/17

Indianapolis, Indiana



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As you are reading this, you are either getting ready to wrap up your racing season, or head to the Solo nationals in Lincoln, Nebraska, September 4 - 8, at Lincoln Airpark or to Indianapolis for the National Championship Runoffs, September 25 to October 01, at Indianapolis Motor Speedway in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Greg Vandersluis, (Professional driving instructor at Mid-Ohio, NEOhio SCCA "Rookie of the Year in 2008", followed up by "Driver of the Year" in 2010,) has been named to drive the No. 77 Chevrolet Camaro for Obiaka Racing in the Xfinity racing series. Best of luck to Greg! I hope that you can fill us in on all the details soon.

Sunday August 27, I attended my first Solo event. It was well organized, lots of runs for each driver, with a nice, brief and fun awards ceremony. Met some new friends, including some that I had only had email or phone conversations over the years. There were two Eastlake policemen watching the cars run. If they weren't on duty, they told me that they would like to join in! You should be proud of the good job that you did.

During the months of September and October, the Board Of Trustees is taking nominations for several positions. We have some openings coming up, and the Region could use a few more people to fill out a really great Board. Here's what to consider:

- The Regional Executive (me) has

one more year out of a two year term.

- Assistant Regional Executive, (one year term) fills in for the RE as needed.
- Secretary, takes notes at the meetings and prepares meeting minutes.
- Treasurer, keeps track of money and prepares a monthly report.
- Board member (3 for each term expiring in 2017, 2018, and 2019) vote on region business.

All positions are voting positions. Now aside from the RE, Secretary and treasurer, the Board Of Trustees only need to attend 1 meeting a month unless there is an emergency meeting called. If you are interested, contact any Board member, or better still, drop by the September or October meeting to get nominated. The only requirements are to be a NEOhio member in good standing and an interest in the betterment of the Region and SCCA. You don't have to be a Driver or a Licensed Worker. See Specialty Chiefs open positions on page 2.

NEOhio Hall of Fame

A reminder from Duane Harrington- the Hall of Fame committee is accepting nomination for this year's class. Please send nominations to Dorothy Harrington or anyone on the committee. The due date for nominations is October 31, 2017.

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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*.

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Neohio Region, SCCA
Meeting Minutes APPROVED | July 11, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kerry Klotzman, Jim Pracker, Jason Pokines, Jim Green, Joe Blaha, Bob MacDonald, Tara Oram, Bill Moore

EXCUSED MEMBERS: Dave Lancaster, Maddie Oswald, Jim Pracker, Gabe Gutierrez

GUESTS: Welcome to all.

Meeting called to order by Kerry Klotzman at 7:04 pm.

Minutes presented from past meetings for approval. MOTION to accept the minutes as presented. (MacDonald / Oram) Approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: MOTION to accept report as presented. (Pokines / Oram) Approved.

REPORTS & COMMITTEE REVIEWS

REGIONAL EXECUTIVE:

- Working with SCCA & Nelson Ledges re: track certification. We will work to get a Neohio race date for 2018.
- Bob Nick has accepted the open Trustee position (Get well soon, Bob!)
- Maddie Oswald has accepted the open Asst RE position, after formal nomination. (MacDonald/Blumenthal)- Approved.

COMPETITION COMMITTEE:

No report

MEMBERSHIP:

556 current members. 11 lapsing in June, 9 new in June

SOLO:

- Inventory is done and a spreadsheet has been created.
- 6/25/17 event went well.

RALLY:

No report

STREET SURVIVAL:

- New date for our upcoming Street Survival event is October 21, 2017. Planning and details to follow.

HALL OF FAME:

No report

OLD BUSINESS:

- Discussed new graphics for Solo Trailer. Suggestions made and revised plan to be submitted next month.
- Discussed results of previous Strategic Planning session. Will work on this at August meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Nice article about Rob Dietz in Sports Car magazine. Congrats!

MOTION to adjourn at 8:13 pm. (Oram / Blaha) Approved

Respectfully submitted:

Jeff Blumenthal

DATES TO REMEMBER

AUGUST / SEPTEMBER 2017

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
August 28	August 29	August 30	August 31	September 1	September 2	September 3
September 4 Labor Day	September 5 7 P Trustee Meeting @ Winking Lizard Bedford Hts.	September 6	September 7	September 8	September 9	September 10
<i>< - - Solo Nationals - September 4 - 8 - Lincoln Airpark, Nebraska - - ></i>						
September 11	September 12	September 13	September 14	September 15	September 16	September 17
September 18	September 19	September 20	September 21	September 22	September 23	September 24
September 25	September 26	September 27	September 28	September 29	September 30	October 1
<i>< - - National Championship Runoffs - September 25 to October 01 - Indianapolis Motor Speedway - - ></i>						
October 2	October 3 7 P Trustee Meeting @ Winking Lizard Bedford Hts.	October 4	October 5	October 6	October 7	October 8
October 9	October 10	October 11	October 12	October 13	October 14	October 15

Dorothy Harrington, Hall of Fame Chair, tells us that the 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, the NEOhio leadership had decided to create a Hall of Fame honoring NEOhio members. The Hall of Fame class will be inducted at the NEOhio annual banquet. Nominations can be made throughout the year.

Nominees can be any member of the NEOhio Region. Members should send nomination letters (can be email messages) along with an SCCA bio of the individual to Hall of Fame Chairperson. The Hall of Fame committee will review the nominations and narrow down the number of potential inductees based on the criteria, the nomination letter and the bio. After the first year, the final determination will be done by Hall of Fame members and the committee. The nomination deadline is October 31 of each year. The purpose is to honor those who contributed to the region through their volunteer work or who brought honor to the region for their accomplishments.

Criteria for Hall of Fame Membership:

- Does not 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.
- A NEOhio member has to make the nomination, which must include a letter supporting why the person should be considered.

Signup for the 2018 SCCA Convention

Indianapolis Runoffs for Everyone!

The 54th annual SCCA® National Championship Runoffs are right around the corner. A couple thousand drivers and crew will be at Indianapolis Motor Speedway (IMS), as well as several hundred dedicated workers. And with three amazing days of racing anticipated, you should be there, too.

How do you get to IMS? If you're a racecar driver; practice, practice,

begins in October. Please start making plans and let me know if you are going to attend.

Best of luck to all of our members at Lincoln and Indy. (and in NASCAR!)

Kerry

Yerkes-Dodson Law

Have you ever found that while driving (particularly in competition) that you were in a "flow state", performing at a higher level than when first starting out? This may be explained by The Yerkes-Dodson Law. It is best illustrated by the impact that emotional arousal has on the performance of tasks. For very simplistic tasks, arousal has a linear relationship with performance. That is, the greater the stress, the greater the performance. However, for complex tasks (such as piloting a race car), performance follows a parabolic curve. At too low a level of arousal, an individual can become bored or unfocused like when following the pace car or stuck in traffic. At too high a level, an individual can become stressed and overwhelmed. This can happen when driving at ten tenths, while watching what is going on in your rear view mirror. There is typically a midpoint of arousal that leads to optimum levels of task performance. This is why, when you are not driving "white knuckled", you will be smoother and faster. Safer as well.

practice ... and meeting the Runoffs qualification criteria. But for spectators, all you've got to do is buy a ticket -- which is a lot easier than the effort racecar drivers went through to qualify for the event. There are two spectator ticket options for the Runoffs this year, and passes are purchased through the Speedway's website.

Four-day admission passes, providing access Thursday, Sept. 28, through Sunday, Oct. 1, can be purchased for \$60 per person. Single-day admission for Thursday is \$15, and single-day passes are \$25 for Friday, Saturday or Sunday. General admission offers access to spectator mounds around the 15-turn, 2.592-mile road course previously utilized by Formula One for the U.S. Grand Prix and currently used by the Verizon IndyCar Series for the Grand Prix of Indianapolis. General admission also provides access to Paddock and Tower Terrace grandstands, as well as the paddock itself to gaze upon the hundreds or gorgeous racecars at the venue that weekend.

Terrace Suite Club passes are also available for the event, which provide entry to a suite in Tower Terrace with views of the Main Straightaway. The back balcony provides infield views and a picturesque view of the Indianapolis skyline. A cash bar will be available in the suite and light snacks supplied each day. Four-day Club passes, providing access Thursday through Sunday, can be purchased for \$225 per person. Single-day Club passes are \$75 for Thursday, Friday, Saturday or Sunday.

Need a place to rest your head at the end of each exciting day? SCCA has reserved hotel room blocks totaling more than 1,260 rooms at 40 hotels close to the Speedway. Special group rates have been negotiated at these

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Race Results

By Debbie LaFond

Great weather for racing at Mid-Ohio the weekend of August 5 & 6:

- Jason Jacko - ITC - 2nd Saturday & 4th Sunday
- Matthew Jacko - ITC - 5th Saturday & 7th Sunday
- Anthony Camperchioli - ITB - 2nd Sunday
- Dan Harding - ITS - 2nd both days
- Robert Harris - CFF - 1st Saturday
- Robert Dietz - FF - 1st both days
- James Libecco - FE - 1st both days
- James Libecco - SRF3 - 1st both days
- Lee Spuhler - SRF3 - 10th Saturday
- AJ Roderick - SM - 9th Saturday & 4th Sunday
- Jeomey Mizer - STL - 8th Saturday & 7th Sunday
- Jason Shultz - T4 - 1st both days
- Matthew Miller - T4 - 3rd both days
- Danny Simmons - EP - 1st Saturday
- Gary Simmons - EP - 1st Sunday
- David Harris - P2 - 1st both days
- Al Gaudino - GT1 - 1st Sunday
- John Luczyk - GT1 - 3rd Sunday

Championship points are posted on the Neohio website at <https://neohioscca.com/road-racing/region-championship-points/>. Please check to make sure that all points are accounted for.

Debbie LaFond

Congratulations to our Neohio drivers that traveled to Grattan for the Last Majors of the season before the Runoffs and our Divisional racers that went to PITT, great weather and racing!

Grattan in Michigan

- Tom Coury - B-Spec - 5th Saturday and 2nd on Sunday
- Joel Hipp - GTL - 1st both days
- Jim Dietz - FF - 4th Saturday and 3rd Sunday
- Sandy Satullo - SRF3 - 5th Saturday and 4th Sunday
- Jonathan Davis - SM - 6th both days

PITT in PA

- George Slyman - ITA - 11th Saturday
- David Harris - P2 - 2nd Saturday and 3rd Sunday
- George Slyman - SM - 14th Saturday and 13th Sunday
- Michael Lee - ITS - 2nd Saturday and 3rd Sunday
- Ken Alderson - FP - 2nd both days
- Brian Jules - STL - 4th Saturday & 3rd Sunday
- Michael Sestili - HP - 1st both days

Condolences

Our deepest sympathy to David Killian, Timing & Scoring, whose father passed away.



TOPEKA, Kan. (Aug. 28, 2017) -- The Sports Car Club of America® has unveiled a new, free SCCA Road Racing mobile app for smartphones just in time for the 2017 SCCA® National Championship Runoffs®. The app is available for Apple and Android devices, and offers helpful information for competitors, workers and spectators.

This simple mobile app will provide push notifications to drivers and workers. Competitors will receive information regarding their car classes, and workers will receive notices about schedule changes, changing weather conditions or end-of-day activities. Along with push notifications, the app contains links to live scoring, the event schedule, and supplemental regulations.

The app can be downloaded through the Apple App Store or Android Google Play Store by searching for "SCCA Road Racing." Once downloaded, be sure to turn on the notification functionality. For the Runoffs, users can choose to receive updates on any of the 28 competition classes, and there is a selection for worker notifications.

For those without an Android or Apple device, announcements will still be made over the public address system in the Runoffs paddock. However, it is highly suggested that those without an Android or Apple device communicate frequently with others who do have said devices to make sure they're aware of the latest updates.

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properties and are available up to Sept. 1 to SCCA Members. Reserve these special negotiated rates as soon as possible by contacting properties directly by phone and mentioning you are part of the SCCA 2017 Runoffs Group. A list of participating hotels can be found online.

Don't want to stay in a fancy-schmancy hotel? Well, plenty of camping opportunities abound near the racing venue. The Speedway has made available a large space for overnight stays in a lot just outside the circuit. Reserve a spot online for a fee, or contact the Speedway directly at ticketsales@brickyard.com with questions.

So, you've got your tickets and a place to sleep. But what about parking? Plenty of parking will be available outside the track for a fee. Gates open at 7:30 a.m. each day, and once inside there will be shuttles to transport spectators from one vantage point to the next.

Now, what is there to do at the track? Well, for one, there will be fantastic racing from 28 car classes. Grab some grub and a beverage from concessions and simply enjoy what many consider to be the best three days of racing anywhere in the world. You can also immerse yourself in the glory of the legendary venue and think about all the famous drivers from around the world who competed there, and all the historic moments that occurred at that hallowed ground. For those who haven't been to Indianapolis Motor Speedway before, it's grandeur can't be conveyed on TV broadcasts. It's gigantic. It's immense. It's jaw-dropping. It's really, really big. And you can be there with thousands of other motor racing fans to share the experience, bathe in the spectacle, and just have four fantastic days.

If that's not enough, the world-renown Indianapolis Motor Speedway Museum rests in the infield and

houses race cars from many series, including IndyCar, NASCAR, Formula One, Sprint, Midget, motorcycle races, and drag racing. The collection encompasses motorcycles, dragsters, cars and other vehicles that have set world land speed records at various points in history. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for youngsters 6 to 15 years old, and children 5 years old and younger can enter for free.

Spectators attending the Runoffs can even get out on the track! The second annual SCCA® Runoffs 5K and Checkered Flag Dash happens Saturday evening, Sept. 30, and will take place on a portion of the IMS road course. The green flag will be waved at 6:30 p.m., sending runners on a 3.1-mile quest for the checkers. A one-mile Checkered Flag Dash fun run will precede the 5K at 6:00 p.m. Online registration is now open, and discounts are available for teams of three or more. In support

of September's Childhood Cancer Awareness month, all proceeds from the event will benefit Maxton's Fight and Riley Children's Health, located in Indianapolis. And as part of the SCCA® Runoffs 5K, there will be a raffle for a free ride in the two-seater IndyCar! Courtesy of the Indy Racing Experience, the lucky winner will get to experience the ride of a lifetime at any of the IRE's dates/locations in 2018, including the world-famous Indianapolis Motor Speedway. Tickets are \$25/each or 5 for \$100 and can be purchased online. The drawing will be held after the SCCA Runoffs 5K, and winners DO NOT need to be present to win. However, you must be 18 years of age to participate in the Indy Racing Experience. Please contact 5K Race Director Jason Stine at scicarunoffs5k@gmail.com for details.

The 2017 SCCA National Championship Runoffs will be memorable.

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Neohio Region, SCCA presents the:
2017 Johnny Appleseed Rally



The Johnny Appleseed Rally will run on **Saturday, October 14, 2017**

The Johnny Appleseed name is a legacy from a National rally hosted by Neohio Region, SCCA in the 1960's. The approximately 140 mile route will wind through the hills of Ohio's Tuscarawas, Carroll and Harrison counties. Fall foliage should be near peak coloration.

Competitors can expect an absolutely straightforward, gimmick-free time-speed-distance (TSD) road rally. The emphasis will be on precise timing at well-placed controls. The rally counts toward the SCCA Great Lakes Division Rally Championship as well as the SCCA National Touring Rally Championship (Regional Rally).

A columnar "tulip" route instruction format will be used. Redundant, clarifying instructions will be included anywhere that there is any question of route-following ambiguity. Ample transit mileage will be included to allow competitors to traverse sensitive areas without disturbing residents, and enjoy the route.

Rally Start Location:

The rally will start at the public parking area adjacent to the Firehouse Grill (formerly the Zoar Tavern), 162 Main Street, Zoar, Ohio 44697 (Latitude: N40°36.683', Longitude: W081°25.402').

Tentative Schedule: (All times Eastern Daylight Time)

Saturday, October 7, 2017:
18:00 - "Early" entry cutoff.

Saturday, October 14, 2017:
11:30 - 12:30 – Registration.
11:45 - Mini rally school (experienced competitors welcome).
13:01 - Car #1 starts rally
19:15 (approx) - Car #1 finishes
19:45 (approx.) - Provisional scores posted (hopefully)
20:30 (approx) - Awards.

Competition Classes:

E - Equipment unrestricted.

L - Odometer unrestricted. Calculating device restricted only in that it may not be integrated with the odometer and clock.

S - Unmodified stock odometer(s), and/or GPS odometer only. Calculating device restricted only in that it may not be integrated with the odometer and clock.

Novice - Class S entry in which neither team member has entered more than 5 TSD rallies previously (simultaneously entered in Class S for championship purposes).

Entry Fees (Please make checks payable to: NEOHIO Region, SCCA):

SCCA members (both driver & navigator): \$40/car before early entry cutoff, \$45/car thereafter.

Others: \$45/car before early entry cutoff, \$50/car thereafter. This entry fee includes the nationally mandated SCCA weekend membership (which entitles the purchaser to a discounted annual membership for a limited time following the event— see www.scca.org for details).

Entry criteria/required equipment:

Entry is open to two-person teams. Each competitor must sign a SCCA liability waiver at registration. Note that the SCCA requires signatures of **both** parents on minor waivers. Please contact the organizers in advance to obtain minor waiver forms.

Each driver must possess a valid automobile operator's license, and be prepared to produce proof of a valid automobile liability insurance policy meeting coverage minimums listed below.

Teams are urged to carry at least one reflective warning triangle or 30 minutes worth of road flares.

Teams are urged to enter early so that car descriptions can be included on the control logs, and the organizers can prepare a sufficient quantity of printed materials for the entire field.

The field will be limited to the first 30 paid entries, or the number of entries received by the early entry cutoff, whichever is greater.

Information : Greg Lester. Ph.(330) 256-6531, WGregoryLester@gmail.com.

Registration: Mail entries, along with check payable to NEOHIO Region, SCCA, to:

Johnny Appleseed Rally
90 Devon Lane #201
Akron, OH 44313

Watch the NEOHIO Region SCCA website: www.neohioscca.com for updates on the rally.

<p>WORKERS NEEDED: Volunteers are needed to help with prechecks, registration, controls, scoring, etc. Your assistance is invaluable!</p>
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<p>Each experienced team may be asked to staff one or more "work/run" controls during this rally.</p>

Other Upcoming Rallies:

September 9, 2017 – **Press On Regardless (POR)**, Gaylord, MI. Detroit Region, SCCA.

October 7, 2017 – **Clare Color Tour**, Clare MI. Detroit Region, SCCA.

October 29, 2017 – **Lake Erie Covered Bridges Rally**, Ashtabula, OH. Misery Bay Region, SCCA.

November 18, 2017 – **Pavement Ends**, South Lyon, MI. Detroit Region, SCCA

Entry Form: Johnny Appleseed Rally

Driver: _____ Navigator: _____

Address: _____ Address: _____

City, State: _____, _____ City, State: _____, _____

Postal Code: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone: (____) _____ - _____ Phone: (____) _____ - _____

e-mail: _____ e-mail: _____

SCCA Member? ()Yes ()No

SCCA Member? ()Yes ()No

Number: _____

Number: _____

Region: _____ Region: _____

Expiration Date: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Minor? (No minor drivers.)

Minor? ()Yes ()No

VEHICLE (Please be as specific as possible; this information may be used by control crews to identify cars.):

Make: _____ Model: _____

Year: _____ Color: _____ License #: _____

State: _____ Distinguishing characteristics: _____

PUBLICITY: How did you find out about this event? _____

COMPETITION CLASS: E L S Novice (Circle or highlight one.)

The entrant warrants that an auto insurance policy with liability limits of not less than \$20,000/\$40,000/\$10,000 is in force for each vehicle entered.

Driver _____ Date _____, Navigator _____ Date _____

Date Entry Received: _____, Check #: _____, Amount: \$ _____

Assigned Car # _____, Generals sent: _____

ProSolo Finale:Tune-In

While more than 1000 drivers continue to converge on Lincoln, NE, 300 competitors will already be hard at it at the Tire Rack ProSolo Finale. Let's take a quick rundown of all the classes and who we think you should be watching.

JA – Robert Ekstrand, Mason Herrick, & Tyler Cormier are all undefeated this season with points tied between the three at 40. Herrick is the favorite as reigning JA Solo Nationals Winner.

JB Carter Heaton is undefeated this season, but hasn't faced challenger Alana McKee this season.

SS - While there's a three-way tie at the top of points, no driver is undefeated in Super Street, making this a definite class to watch. Steve Waters, Monty Pack, & Brian Connors are coming in with the lead.

AS - Five of the seven drivers have wins this season. The favorites must be Laurence Casey & Mark Daddio, coming in with the points lead, but Matt Jones, Glen Hernandez, & John Laughlin should keep the top of this leaderboard tight.

BS - Ryan Clark is coming into the Finale with the points lead, and is the only undefeated competitor with 3 wins this season. Brian Johns, Rachel Baker, Jeremy Foley, and Alex Muresan are the most likely challengers.

CS - The Spec ND Miata class is as strong as could be expected. Point leaders Brian Coulson & Mark Shrivastava each have a pair of wins to their names, but Daniel McCelvey, Maurice Velandia, Chris Harp & Julian Garfield will bring the pressure.

DS - While there's a three-way tie between Mark Scroggs, Dennis Sparks, & Steven Berroddin, none of these drivers have faced the other two this season. If Lincoln throws a curveball with weather, Sparks will have the unfair advantage with AWD.

ES - Johnathan Roberts, Paul Brown, & Eric Peterson have each had exceptional seasons. Paul Brown is the favorite. Tony Rodriguez and Michael Ron will be right in the mix.

FS - Jeff Cashmore stands alone at the top of the point standings & has been dominant all season. While Courtney Cormier, Rod McGeorge, & Jason Bucki will be contenders, Cashmore should take the win.

GS - Doug Rowse will lead the charge from the Focus STs. David Howdysshell should be a contender when they bump.

HS - Six of the eight drivers have wins to their name this season. Mike King & Scott McHugh are undefeated with a pair of wins each. Watch for Greg Reno & Russell Blume in the Minis to challenge the Fiesta ST & Accord.

SSR - Jason Rhoades and GJ Dixon are the clear favorites, but watch Matthew Braun and Grant Reeve to also be fast. Josh Luster will probably have the speed, but expect cones to break his heart.

STF - David Hedderick will lead the STF charge when they bump. Joe Austin will contend, but hasn't had the speed to keep up with Hedderick this season.

STS – David Whitener has been consistent all season, but the Miata can have some course dependencies, watch for Stephen Yeoh, Shane Jensen, Todd Kunze and Ron Williams to lead the Honda charge.

STX - Craig Wilcox is expected to set the pace. Marcus Pyne & Chris Thorpe will be fast as well. Don't count out Jonathan Lugod and Kyle Herbst.

STU - Bryan Heitkotter is the favorite. Robert Pendergest, John Hale, Wojtek Hajduczek, and Bill Zerr should have a pretty good battle for the trophies.

STR - James Yom, Ricky Crow, & David Marcus each have two wins to their name, but Marcus has come out ahead each time the pair has faced off this year.

SSP - Stan Whitney is the only undefeated driver in this class, but Ryan Johnson and Mitch Fagundes also have a pair of wins. Joe Tharpe is our dark horse here, with three 2nd place finishes behind three different drivers.

ASP - Tom Berry will be strong in bump class.

BSP - Anthony Porta has dominated out west & Gregory Hahn showing his strength in the East. Looking forward to watching these two face off for the first time this season. Porta has rebuilt his engine since his last National Solo event, so there's a big question mark there.

CSP – While the points show Neal Tovsen and Billy Davis as even foes in the Finale, we have to favor Davis based on past years. Stephen King also has a pair of wins to challenge in the class.

DSP - With Strano sharing a ride with Vitamvas, that car looks to be untouchable in the season finale. Andrew Krystinik and Jeff Hurst is expected to be fairly close. Eric Campbell will be right there in the mix.

ESP – These drivers haven't seen a lot of each other this season, so we're ready for a showdown. Ryan Finch may have the advantage, but we're not ready to name a favorite.

SM – Greg McCance & Tim White are the undefeated favorites, but Erik Strelnieks & Eric Hyman will challenge the Subaru in their pair of GTRs. Aaron Shoe & Daniel Stainback shouldn't be counted out.

SSM – While they're going to bump, the Randall Wilcox vs. Matthew Glagola show is always good. Jake Namer's history is enough to keep this one far from settled.

SMF – Another class to bump, Bret Norgaard and Chris Haydu will lead this class with Chris Janusz close behind.

CAM – Danny Kao and Ryan Otis facing off for the win here.

KM – Paul Russell is the perennial favorite in this class, but Larry MacLeod and Tom Harrington have had strong seasons. Keep an eye on all three.

R1 – Watch out for Jeff and Zak Kiesel at the front. Greg Maloy and Marshall Grice have serious chances to contend, as well as Daniel Stone.

R2 – Favorites are Fred Zust, Allen Kugler, Brian Peters, Troy Acosta, and Andy McKee. Our second string is filled with Anthony Defiore and Mark Madarash, because you just don't know until it's over.

L1 – Christine Grice, Shelly Monfort, Su Brude, and Tamra Hunt are our favorites in this stacked class, but don't be surprised if it's an absolute battle at the top.

L2 – Jordan Towns got a slower start to the season, but will be fast from the start. Codrivers Chris Peterson and Jennifer Bedell will be fighting hard at the top, Julie Heaton, Meredith Brown, and Denise Cashmore will be contending.

L3 – Kim Whitener is favorite, but Laura Campbell, Mina Ingraham, Kate Fisher, and Nicole Wong will be right there. Jennifer Fox, Michelle Knoll, Mindi Cross should be close enough to contend for a Challenge slot.



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