

# Tech Party Revived!



Our host, Bob Karl, watches Todd Boice inspect the newest 'BK Racing' race car. If you think it looks familiar that's because it's Roly Heacox's old street car. It will be driven by Evan Karl, BK's 15 yr. old grandson (Bob Jr. and Colleen's son).

Report from the Comp Director on page 5 with more photos on page 12.

Jim Bucci admires Len Clickmans window

Dan Flynn and Dennis Curley



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# REGIONAL EXECUTIVE REPORT

Russ Burckhard

## SOLO REPORT

Russ Burckhard

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**BMW Museum in  
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## Thank You Note Received from Rensselaer Motorsports



April 13, 2015

Dear Members of Mottel SCCA,

Thank you so much for your generous gift to the team! We could not build a car without all types of support. We are very much looking forward to doing some driver training with you as well. Thank you again for everything that you have done. We look forward to working with you more in the future!

Mike Stiller Keith Kouszer

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Tom Gandy  
Gary Mann

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John King

# COMPETITION REPORT

Jack Hanifan



## 2015 May Competition Report

**Super Entry Fees at Thompson** — The entry for the Ice Breaker at Thompson for April 24, 25 is very low. The track wants to make this an annual event; it will hold it no matter what the entry is. There will be a huge amount of track time. They have lowered the entry fee to \$265 for both days and \$200 for Saturday only - a super deal. That is less than a test day. Check it out at [Motorsportreg.com](http://Motorsportreg.com).

**Tech Party** — 14 cars made it to our Annual Tech Party. Special thanks to our host Bob "BK" Karl. Our new Chief of Tech Todd Boice assisted by Rich Welty completed the task in record time. Nancy Boice took care of registration and paperwork. Greg Rickes once again did an excellent job as Head Chef. Thom O'Connor with his ITC VW was the first car through and he donated 3 helmets to the Solo Program. *See more photos from the Tech Party on page 14.*

**Belts** — SFI and FIA belts are both good for 5 years, this recent change in the GCR was pointed out by Ron Bass and we thank him for the information

**Tech Party # 2** — If you could not make it to the Tech Party at Bob Karl's, the Lendrum's will be hosting a second Tech Party at **North Country Subaru** in Queensbury on Saturday May 2<sup>nd</sup> at Noon.



*Dan Flynn, Lukas Riggi, Dennis Curley and Ernie Riggi*

## MoHud Flaggers At The Mobil1 12 Hours of Sebring Races

by EJ Smith

Why did the chicken try to cross the track? Apparently because it escaped from Dodge City during the Mobil 1 12 Hours of Sebring race weekend this past March. Confused? *Read on...*

Ever since our Flag Chief, Rich Alexander, talked me into becoming a flagger, he has sung the praises of flagging at the 12 Hours of Sebring race. Many of the tales Rich has told me about this legendary racing event have been entertaining to say the least, and many can't be repeated in this newsletter. The wild days of Sebring are, like the days of "the bog" at Watkins Glen, long gone, but there is still a strong presence of fan "characters" attending the race and carrying on many traditions that make this event unlike other races.

I finally took Rich up on his annual invitation to join him and MoHud's Mack McCormack flagging the race. Sebring's race week takes place over four days, with several series making up this year's event - Historic Sportscar Racing, Porsche GT3 Cup, IMSA Lites, Continental Tire Sportscar Challenge, and Tudor United Sportscar Series all holding court at Sebring, March 18-21, 2015. Four days of flagging can be exhausting, especially when you consider spending a good portion of your 12 - 15 hour days on your feet, but the draw of some exciting action from these series combined with the typical SCCA flagger camaraderie you experience at any track event made for

an entertaining four days, to say the least.

Richard and Mack make up a portion of a group of SCCA flaggers who make a habit of covering Turns 9-10-11 of Sebring. The fans who attend the race tend to occupy the same spots around the track year after year, so the flaggers and the fans can sometimes make acquaintances and become friends. The fans at Turn 10 are characters, but are also some of the friendliest fans at the race. They offered meals to us during the race weekend, and even some adult beverages at



*Flagger meetings at 6:45am occur while it's still dark.*

the end of the race day - the same adult beverages they'd been making available to themselves for most of the day and over the course of the four days of racing.



*They bring the Wild West to the race, complete with chickens.*

The racing itself was pretty good this year from my perspective. I'd never seen the HSR folks before, and the range of cars on track was amazing. It was a crazy mix of cars from different eras and capabilities. An '06 Red Bull Audi DTM car, '09 Oreca FLM09, '02 Chevy Monte Carlo ASA, '10 Chevy Camaro GT.R, '13 Porsche GT Cup, and a menagerie of other cars made for some interesting action and some surprising results.

The drivers didn't appear to have the racing history that their cars had, so flaggers witnessed some "interesting" driver behavior, too. The IMSA Lites, GT3 Cup, and CTSC and TUSC folks were a bit more traditional.

On Thursday of race week, the Tudor series holds a night practice session from approximately 6pm to 9pm, to give the drivers some experience driving the course at night. This also allows the flaggers to gain experience with night flagging. I did my best to learn the difference between the faster Prototype cars and the GT cars - their headlight colors (the Prototypes run white headlights, while the GT cars run yellow headlights), and tried to best gauge how to measure perceptions of when cars would overtake other cars simply by watching the closing rates of two beams of light approaching you. It's as difficult as it sounds.

As a "Fuh-new-gee" (you can probably figure that one out yourself), I was introduced to the Turn 10 fans and given some mild hazing. I had to stand in front of the Turn 10 fans and loudly proclaim "I LOVE PEANUT BUTTER!" - not understanding why at first, until I heard the fans' response. Again, decorum prevents me from adding the other parts that surround that phrase, but it was all in good fun.



*The good folks of Turn 10. They erect the scaffolding.*

On Friday, the CTSC series held their race - a 2.5 hour event. Temperatures were much warmer than normal for that time of year - in the low 90's for most of the days - but I lucked out by drawing duty at Turn 11 Friday, which enjoys being under the shade of a very large tree at that spot on the track. The action at our section of the track was an orange BMW spinning at the exit of Turn 10, ending up facing traffic, and causing oncoming traffic to attempt to split around him. Several cars came together trying to avoid the spun BMW, and ended up damaging each other and the BMW. The BMW lost a left from wheel in the incident, yet got itself turned around with some massive throttle inputs, but in the grass on driver's right. He attempted to re-enter the race surface, not realizing he was missing his wheel and suspension, but a quick signal from me using the universal hand drawn across my throat several times indicated to the driver he should shut it down.



*The "96 Hours of Drinking" team, complete with replica Falken Tire Porsche 911 GT race cooler.*

Saturday was the big day for the 12 hour race. Racing got underway around 10:30am, and continued right up until the ending fireworks at 10:40pm Saturday night. We had a total of 11 flaggers for our three turns, which we turned into four teams of two flaggers, with the three corner captains - Rich, Mack, and Dave Hsu of DC Region, acting as floaters. The four flagger teams would rotate between Turn 10 flags, resting, Turn 10 Comms, and Turn 11. Turn 9 was left unmanned due to the lack of sufficient flaggers. Turn 10 required the use of hand signals as the flags were approximately 75 feet or more up track from the actual corner, and the Turn 10 Comms team was the only group who could see the full section to Turn 11 if a yellow or white flag was needed for a car. I'd never used those hand signals before, but I was able to pick them up quickly with the frequent use required for the turn. We'd do an hour at each station, with the team that was serving the resting portion being



*Sometimes it pays to walk the track before the race day begins.*



responsible for initiating the changing of the teams each hour. It worked well, and we were able to stay pretty fresh for the entire race. My big moment came when the #31 Whelen Daytona Prototype finally lost it's right front wheel after making the turn at 10. The loose wheel came gently rolling by us along the wall, and we watched it come to rest about 40 feet down from our station. When I watched the incident on TV, I can see me holding the full course yellow flags as the wheel goes by, but no one would have recognized me from the distance the camera showed it. Central Florida Region did a pretty good job of delivering food and drinks to us during the race. During the race, I noticed fans

dressed as Vikings and as Holstein cows, standing at the fence watching the race. Just a normal occurrence at Sebring. I'm told back in the day, some fans would have been nude or partially naked, but that was the good old days. By the time we arrived back at our rented house at the end of the night - seven of us flaggers stayed there - it was midnight. Having woken up at 5am to start that day, we slept well.

So, why did the chicken try to cross the track? Well, one of the fan camps known as "Dodge City", where the fans build (yes, build, as in wood, nails, hammers - one of many construction efforts I witnessed by fan groups) a replica store front of an Old West saloon, complete with porch, a fake cactus, and an inexplicable TV set that has



*Flaggers track the Full Course Yellows for the event, as well as "Pace Car Victories" (races ended under cautions)*



*Don Byrd and Eric Smith*

been converted into an aquarium. Did it have fish? I didn't have time to check it out, but I'm assuming it did, as Dodge City brought at least one chicken to complete the Wild West theme. During Race 1 of the IMSA Lites start, Rich Alexander was on the "phones" (the radio and headset used to call into Race Control", and while I was at Turn 11 I heard his familiar voice say "Control, this is 10 Flags (10 Flags was the nearest of our posts to Dodge City). We have a chicken that is crossing the track near Turn 9." Control, to their credit, only sounded slightly incredulous (this is Sebring, after all): "Turn 10, is that on driver's left or right?" Rich continued "Driver's right..... some drunk fans are attempting to catch him.... they've caught the chicken and are returning to Dodge City."

From that moment on, whenever I was working at 10 Flags station, before cars came out on track, I could pick up the gentle clucking of a chicken. It made me laugh hard every time I heard it, and I'm pretty sure I'm going to be disappointed the next time I go on station and I don't hear a chicken clucking as I prepare for cars to come out on track.

I'm pretty sure I'll be returning to Sebring for next year's 12 hour race, chicken or no chicken.



*Rich Alexander*

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# TRACK NIGHT

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From complete novice to advanced driver, Track Night in America is a fantastic way to spice up boring weekdays with an hour of on-track excitement for every participant. And with guidance from professional SCCA instructors provided for those exploring track driving for the very first time, fun is the focus. Spectators and those wishing to simply show off "cherry" rides during festivities are welcome to park and hang out free of charge

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

April 7, 2015

Atlanta Motorsports Park  
Dawsonville, GA

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April 9, 2015

Thunderhill Raceway Park  
Willows, CA

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April 9, 2015

Palm Beach Int'l Raceway  
Jupiter, FL

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April 14, 2015

Motorsport Ranch  
Cresson, TX

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April 14, 2015

PittRace  
Wampum, PA

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# Tech Party Highlights!



*Arn Bebee, Eric Smith and Jim Bucci*



*Drew, the cute pup with owner Nancy Boice and Walt Ryan*



*Master Chef Greg Rickes and Debbi Riggi*



*Bill Blizzard, Chip Van Slyke and Len Clickman*



*Nick Karl*

# 2015 SCCA National Convention

Trish and I attended the SCCA national convention in Charlotte and I have to tell you, we're excited about the future of our club.

During the annual meeting that kicks off the convention, SCCA president Lisa Noble took the stage to outline how the Club will move toward the future. New programs like **Track Night in America**, the **Classic American Muscle Challenge**, and **Track Fest**, were some of the notable programs that were introduced.

The overall theme of the Convention was **2020**. Not only does the theme encompass a look forward in a five-year timeframe, but also a look back at where the Club has been in the past year and throughout history. By referencing what worked in the past and what did not, the goal is to move SCCA forward with a clear vision and renewed vigor.



## ***Team Bucci Takes First In Class***

On both February 28<sup>th</sup> and March 14<sup>th</sup> Team Bucci again traveled west to the Finger Lakes region of the state to participate in rounds 4 and 5 of the Finger Lakes Region winter rally series.

The name of the round 4 rally was *Lost in a Wintry Wood '15*. We hoped this was not a portent of things to come! Departing from the TA truck stop in Dansville, the rally covered nearly 200 miles of both paved and unpaved roads of Livingston, Allegany, and Steuben counties. Encouraged by our 2<sup>nd</sup> place finish in round 3 of the series, we refined our time and distance computing skills in hopes of improving our score. It paid off! Team Bucci claimed a victory finishing 1<sup>st</sup> in class and 9<sup>th</sup> overall.

Our trek west for round 5 brought us to Lock's Stock and Barrel in Canandaigua for *The Dirty Rotten Rally*. And they meant it! Driver and navigator were put to the test on over 160 very muddy competition miles, using mostly unpaved roads around the southern end of Canandaigua Lake. Even without the benefit of our usual co-navigator (Trish's daughter Kerry), Team Bucci still managed a victory in class and 8<sup>th</sup> overall with just 273 total points.



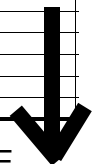
**Rallying is dirty work**



**First place trophy**

# 2015 NE Division Dates

DATES	NORTHEAST CONFERENCE MAJORS	Southeast & Northern Majors	EGIONALS and DIVISIONAL SERIES (Runoffs Qualifier	SCHOOLS
January 3-4				
January 10-11		Homestead Miami Speedway-SE		
January 17-18 / ML King Holiday 19		Sebring Int'l Raceway-SE		
January 24-25				
January 31-February 1				
February 7-8				
February 14-15 / Presidents Holiday 16				
<b>February 20-22</b>	<b>National SCCA Convention - Charlotte Convention Center - Charlotte, NC</b>			
February 28-March 1				
March 7-8 / Daylight Savings		NOLA Motorsports Park-SE		
March 14-15				
March 21-22		Road Atlanta-SE		SJR/NJMP - L
March 28-29				WDC/Summit
April 4-5 / Easter & Passover				
April 11-12			WDC/Summit (M) - DCS	
April 18-19	VIR 17-19 / with Southeast T			
April 25-26			SJR/NJMP-T 12 hr Enduro 24-25/Test 24	
May 2-3	WDC/Summit 1-3 / with Southeast	BVR-MILK/Blackhawk Farms-N		
May 9-10 / Mother's Day				
May 16-17				
May 23-24 / Memorial Day 25			NER/NHMS (Ne) - DCS	NER/NHMS-22
May 30-31	OVR/Mid-Ohio 29-31 / with Northeast			
June 6-7			SJR/NJMP-Light Test 5 (Nj) - DCS	
June 13-14 / Ramadan 17		CHI/Road America-N	SJR/NJMP-Thund- R - PRO IT ONLY	
June 19-20			NER/Lime Rock (Ne)	
June 20-21 / Father's Day			WDC/Summit (M)	
June 20-21 / Father's Day			FLR-MVR/Nelson-D+E - DCS	
June 27-28				
July 4-5 / Independence Day	FLR/Glen 3-5			
July 10-11			NER/Thompson Speedway Motorsports Park (Ne)	
July 11-12		SBR-DET/GingerMan Raceway-N	WDC/Summit (M)	
July 18-19			GLN/Glen - DCS	
July 25-26	SJR/NJMP-Thund 24-26 -Test 23	MILK/Road America-N		
August 1-2			WDC/Summit (M)	
August 1-2			NER/NHMS (Ne) - DCS	
August 8-9			TRI-NNJ/Pocono - DCS	
August 15-16	STC/PIRC 15-16 - 2 Day Major		SJR/NJMP-Thund-Test 14 (Nj)	
August 22-23		WMR/Michigan Int'l Speedway-N	NER/Palmer Motorsports Park -T (Ne)	
August 29-30				
September 5-6 / Labor Day 7			WDC/Summit-D (5-7) (M)	
September 12-13 /Rosh Hashanah 13			NER/Palmer Motorsports Park -T (Ne)	
September 19-20 / Yom Kipper 22			STC/PIRC-D -DCS	
<b>September 21-27</b>	<b>52nd SCCA Runoffs - Daytona International Speedway, Daytona, FL</b>			
September 26-27				
October 2-3			NYR/Lime Rock Tentative	
October 3-4			WDC/Summit (M)	
October 9-10			NER/Thompson Speedway Motorsports Park (Ne)- DCS	
October 10-11 / Columbus Day 12				
October 17-18			SJR/NJMP-Thund (Nj) or 24-25 ? TBD	
October 24-25			SJR/NJMP-Thund (Nj) or 17-18 ? TBD	
October 31-November 1 / Daylight Savings				
November 7-8 / Veterans Day 11				
<b>November 13-14-15</b>	<b>NeDivision Mini-Convention, Holiday Inn, Saratoga Springs, NY - MoHud Region</b>			
November 21-22 / Thanksgiving 26				
November 28-29				
December 5-6 / Hanukkah 6				
December 12-13				
December 19-20 / Christmas 25				
December 26-27				
12-11-14 NeDiv Scheduling Donna McDonough				
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## 2015 NE Division Dates continued

DATES	OTHER SCCA REGION EVENTS	TRACK TRIALS	HILLCLIMBS	VINTAGE	OTHER/PRO
January 3-4					
January 10-11					
January 17-18 / ML King B					
January 24-25					
January 31-February 1					
February 7-8					
February 14-15 / Presiden					
<b>February 20-22</b>					
February 28-March 1					
March 7-8 / Daylight Savin					
March 14-15					
March 21-22					
March 28-29					
April 4-5 / Easter & Passov					
April 11-12					SCCA PRO FA, F1600 & F2000/ Road Atlanta
April 18-19					
April 25-26	GL-Drivers School/Waterford				
May 2-3	NEO/Nelson T - D Reg'l		Rose Valley		
May 9-10 / Mother's Day					IndyCar/IndyRoadCourse
May 16-17	SBR-WOR-DET/Gingerman - D Reg'l			VRG/Summit 14-17	Pirelli/WC/CTMP(Mosport)-Pro FA, F1600 & F2000/GLN Indy 500/Indy-TA/LimeRock
May 23-24 / Memorial Day		BIMtn/Summit-Jefferson			
May 30-31					
June 6-7					F1/Montreal-NASCAR/Pocono-Pro FA, F1600 & F2000/VIR
June 13-14 / Ramadan 17	CIN/NCM-Corvette Museum - D Reg'l		Weatherly	SVRA/Indy	TA/NJMP-IndyCar/Toronto
June 19-20				VRG/VSCCA/Thompson	
June 20-21 / Father's Day					
June 20-21 / Father's Day					
June 27-28	WMR/Grattan - D Reg'l		BIMtn/Pagoda/Reading	SVRA/Mid-Ohio	IMSA/GLEN
July 4-5 / Independence D					SCCA PRO FA, F1600 & F2000/ Mid-Ohio
July 10-11					
July 11-12			Giant's Despair	PVGP/PIRC	IMSA/CTMP(Mosport)-IndyCar/Pocono
July 18-19				PVGP/Schenley Park	NASCAR/NHMS
July 25-26				SVRA/GLEN	NASCAR/Indy-IMSA/LimeRock
August 1-2			Polish Mountain		NASCAR/Pocono-IndyCar & WC/MOH-Pro FA, 1600 & 2000/PIRC
August 1-2					
August 8-9	CIN/Mid-Ohio - D Reg'l				NASCAR/GLEN-Track repaving after NASCAR
August 15-16			BIMtn/Duryea/Reading	SVRA/Pocono	NASCAR & TA & WC/Mid-Ohio
August 22-23					
August 29-30	OVR/Mid-Ohio - D Reg'l				NASCAR/CTMP(Mosport)-Pro FA, F1600 & F2000/NJMP
September 5-6 / Labor Da		Summit/Jefferson			
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September 26-27					NASCAR/NHMS
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October 3-4					
October 9-10					
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October 17-18					SCCA PRO FA, F1600 & F2000/PIRC
October 24-25					F1/COTA
October 31-November 1 /					
November 7-8 / Veterans					
<b>November 13-14-15</b>					
November 21-22 / Thanks					
November 28-29					
December 5-6 / Hanukka!					
December 12-13					
December 19-20 / Christm					
December 26-27					
12-11-14 NeDiv Scheduling					
Series Designations & Eve					
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# 2015 Schedule

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Palm Beach\* - Feb. 12-14

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Road Atlanta - April 10-12

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championship

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championship

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championship



Watkins Glen - May 15-17

ATLANTIC  
championship

F2000  
championship

F1600  
Formula F  
championship



VIR - June 5-7

ATLANTIC  
championship

F2000  
championship

F1600  
Formula F  
championship



Mid-Ohio - July 3-5

ATLANTIC  
championship

F2000  
championship

F1600  
Formula F  
championship



Pittsburgh - July 31-Aug. 2

ATLANTIC  
championship

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championship

F1600  
Formula F  
championship



New Jersey - August 28-30

ATLANTIC  
championship

F2000  
championship

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Pittsburgh - October 16-18

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# Membership Meeting Minutes April 2015

Meeting called to order 7:30 pm.

**SECRETARY** - Minutes accepted as published in last month's Knock Off.

**MEMBERSHIP** – Jim reported that membership is down 10 members to 409 members. Jim also summarized member anniversaries. Nick, a new member, was introduced. He is interested in Autocross and flagging.

**KNOCK OFF** - no report.

**TREASURER** - Todd summarized the previous month's expenses and revenues.

**SOLO** - schedule for the upcoming year is now posted on the Region's facebook page and will be posted on the website in the next week. First event is a test and tune on Saturday May 2 and a solo event Sunday May 3rd, both at the McCarty Ave. OGS lot.

**TIRE RACK STREET SURVIVAL** - Saratoga Museum is enthusiastic to participate in Street Survival. School is tentatively scheduled for October.

**RALLY** - Team Bucci participated in the Finger Lakes Region rally this past weekend. They have participated in four rallies this year, and have finished first in three out of the four. Trish is planning on putting a Fall GTA rally and a TSD rally over the winter.

**COMPETITION** - FIA belts and SFI belts are now good for five years. Tech Party will be at Bob Karl's in Troy April 18th. May 24th - Thompson will be holding a race for any licensed driver - SCCA, BMW, etc. This is not an SCCA licensed event. The Palmer track in central Massachusetts is prepared to open. Central NY Raceway is also moving ahead and is almost completed. This track is north of Syracuse.

**OLD BUSINESS** - RPI thanked us for the donation we recently gave them and has invited Mo Hud members to the unveiling of their formula car. It will be held on April 7th at Impact. Eric will post details on the website. RSVP is requested. Eric is coordinating Mo Hud's participation at the Saratoga Museum Auto Show scheduled for Saturday, May 16th. We are looking for 16 cars to be at the event.

**NEW BUSINESS** - Jim Bucci offered a proposal to buy two race groups for a Mo Hud PDX at the upcoming New England Region July 11th Thompson Race. The PDX would be for two 20 minute runs for Advanced drivers. Jim offered to chair the event. This is not a competition event. Driver cost will be \$150. After discussion, motion made and approved to allocate \$3000 for the Thompson PDX. Motorsportreg is holding a couple of webinars - one on autocross and a second offering information and tips to Clubs with advice about encouraging members to participate in Region events. These are free webinars. More information is available at [Motorsportreg.com](http://Motorsportreg.com). SCCA Track Night of America – SCCA will be offering non-licensed individuals to bring their car to a variety of tracks located throughout the country. The events, similar to a PDX, will be held weekdays late in the afternoon. Thompson has a number of SCCA Track Night of America events scheduled. Fort Orange Boy Scouts is looking for assistance

at their overnight camping event on October 10. It will be held west of Albany along the Mohawk River. The overnight will have an automotive focus. They've asked if we could provide a number of cars to instruct the scouts basic car maintenance - tire pressure, spark plugs, etc.

Mni Con will be in the Fall. Jim Garry will be reaching out to a well known autocrosser to provide a talk. Motion approved to pay room and board for that individual to attend.

**BY LAWS** - a couple of members have volunteered to help review the by laws and propose recommendations. Eric received no comments when the by laws were recently published in the Knock Off.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

## Membership Report

by Jim Garry, Membership Chairman

### New Members

This month we have four new members, all from New York:

Ted Dudley of Albany who checked Solo as his primary interest.

Kent James, Rensselaer. Kent's primary interest is Road Rally.

Michael Ferra, Gansevoort. Club Racing is Michael's primary interest.

Todd Richard, Amsterdam. Todd likes RallyCross.

### Significant Anniversaries

5 years: Brian Hanaburgh, Johnstown, NY

15 years: David Dartt, Lake Wales, FL

25 years: Thomas With, Colonie, NY

30 years: Anne Gifford, Schenectady, NY

This month we have 416 members, down three from April.

March 25, 2015

## *From Jon Farbman*

Finally I convinced the photographer to release this nice shot of me at Sebring's Turn One during Cabin Fever Cure. Although the competition has not been of Majors-caliber I won my last four races here in STL: two over Thanksgiving's, Turkey Trot and two more at Cabin Fever last month.

Our plans are now become more ambitious as we head north to spend two days testing at VIR early April to prepare me for the Majors later in the month. Since I've never seen Daytona, Jacquie and I may do a long race weekend there early May so that I can begin to learn the place and be better prepared for the Runoffs in September. (If we go!) This was indeed the winter to stay in Florida. Glens Falls is only 15 miles north of where we live in Greenwich and they reported an average February temperature of 7 degrees...that's the Average and 21 degrees below normal. YIKES!



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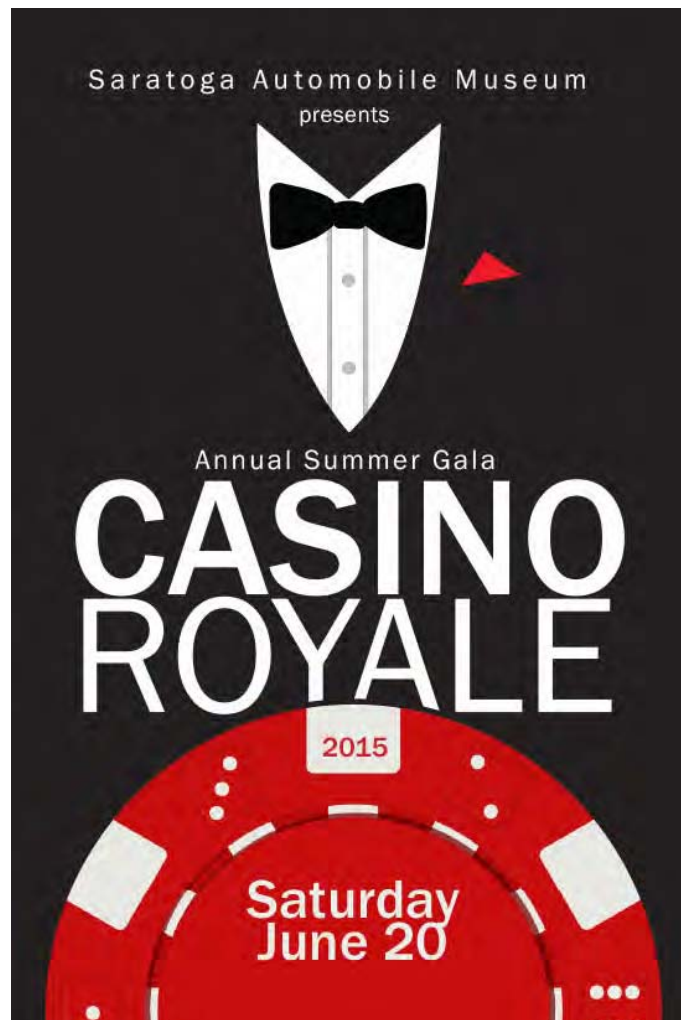
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