

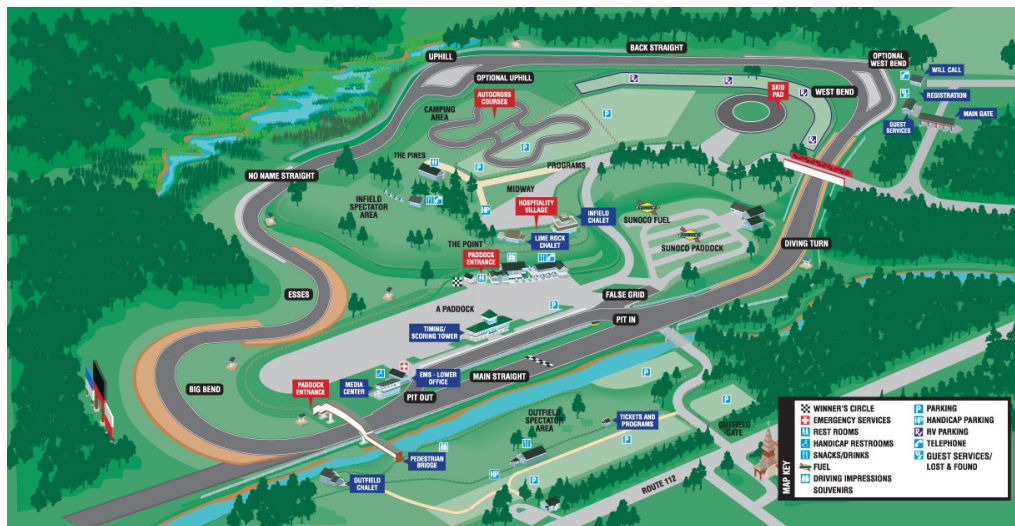
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## Lime Rock TrackPass Event



Thanks to *Pete Kroth* who was kind enough to send in a note about this event. Lime Rock Park is hosting its first ever TrackPass event on Thursday, May 26<sup>th</sup>.

The event is being sponsored by the SCCA Track Night in America Driven by Tire Rack Partners with Pirelli World Challenge®. Additional information

on the event may be found at: <http://www.tracknightinamerica.com/articles/2000262-track-night-and-world-challenge-tem-up-for-lime-rock>.

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# Regional Executive

## RE Report

*Jim Bucci*

If you were not at the April general membership meeting (Yes, KO editor, this means you), you missed a great one. A standing room only crowd heard chairman of the SCCA board of directors, John Walsh, give us an update on programs and new initiatives coming from the SCCA national offices. Also, Jack Hanifan and John Sheridan presented the MoHud champions present with various plaques, jackets, and trophies for their

winning efforts in the NeDiv, NYSRRC, and NARRC series.

There was one more presentation made that I would like to tell you about. Due to the loving efforts and craft talents of my wife Trish, I was presented with a fine wooden gavel, base, and storage box. The "passing of the gavel" as a new Regional Executive took office in January was a MoHud tradition for years. Over time, however, the

tradition (and the gavel) were lost. While I don't intend to pass on the gavel that Trish gave me, due to the comedic sense of John Walsh, a new MoHud tradition is about to begin! That is all the information I'm willing to share for now. If you were at the April meeting, you may have a clue what the new tradition may be.

For the good of the sport,

*Jim Bucci*

## MoHud Display @ SAM Car Show

*Eric Smith*

MoHud will be once again setting up a table and displaying some members' competitions cars - both Solo and Club Racing - in front of the Saratoga Auto Museum on Saturday, May 14th. I am still in need of a Solo car and a Club Racing car. If you can attend and leave your car for the day, please contact

me at the email address below. Cars are to be dropped off in front of the museum around 8:30am Saturday morning. Each car will get a free pass to the car show. We'll have a table and tent to display some info about MoHud and SCCA, and ask that you help us at some point during the day by manning

the booth. The festivities wrap up around 3:30 - 4:00pm. If the day-of forecast calls for rain all day, the show will likely be cancelled and there is no rain date announced at this point. If interested please contact EJ Smith at [EJFvo8@gmail.com](mailto:EJFvo8@gmail.com).

Thanks!

## Member Meeting Minutes

*Ron Bass*

▶ Meeting called to order 7:30 pm.

March meeting minutes accepted as published in the Knock Off.

**Membership** - Jim provided a summary of recent anniversaries.

**Treasurer** - Todd summarized previous month's income and resources.

**Solo** - 2016 schedule is published in KO. May 21/22 - first event of the season will be at the OGS lot. Six events are scheduled for the season.

**Street Survival** - scheduled for Saturday April 23 at the Saratoga Auto Museum, 8:00 am

thru 4:00 pm. We are a couple of instructors shy. Please contact Kevin Belden for info if you are available to instruct. Volunteers are also needed to help with course set up as well as someone to help man the water hose to keep the skid pad wet, and traffic control.

**Activities** - This is MoHud's 60th anniversary. Celebratory event is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, July 16th, at the Saratoga Auto Museum. More info will be available in the next KO.

**Old Business** - RPI formula SAE team - motion approved to donate \$502 to the team (\$502 to get us up to the next

sponsorship level).

Tech Party at Bob Karl's will be on Saturday, April 16. On April 30, Tech Party will be at North Country Imports. Friday, April 29th and Saturday, 30th, "Icebreaker" race at Thompson Speedway. This is not an SCCA event but will be run under SCCA rules. April 30th, Tech Party at North Country Imports.

**New Business** - Saturday, May 14th, Saratoga Auto Museum Auto Show - Eric is asking for race cars to exhibit at the show.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm ◀



## Membership Report

Jim Garry

### New Members

We have 25 new members since 3/23/16. Some of the people on the list may include folks who are former members returning after a hiatus. Their listed interests are shown.

Stefanie Martinovich, Latham; Club Racing  
 Andrew Blanchard, Delmar; Solo  
 James Giordano, East Greenbush; Solo  
 Marie Mclam, Slingerlands; Solo  
 Kyle Patterson, Fort Ann; Solo, Rally, Club Racing  
 John Trottier, Clifton Park; Solo  
 Christine Fischer, Slingerlands; Solo  
 Mike Patak, Voorheesville; Club Racing, Rally  
 Andrew Nicolella, Melrose; Solo, Club Racing, Rally  
 Christopher Keenan, Waterford; Solo

Stephen Law, Ballston Spa  
 Jamey Taub, Gloversville; Solo  
 Jerry Leboyer, Slingerlands; Solo  
 Ed Molocznik, Mechanicville; Solo  
 Sarah Berry, Troy; Solo  
 Hazxel Butler, Troy; Solo  
 Philip DeJan, Ancram; Solo, Rally  
 Joseph Rickert, Valatie; Solo  
 Herbert Sodher, Saratoga Springs; Solo, Club Racing, Pro Racing  
 Kevin Wood, Glenville; Solo  
 Maria Millington, Troy; Solo  
 Francis Aguado, Albany; Solo  
 Carol McDonald, Troy; Solo  
 Nancy Perrotti, Troy; Solo  
 Irene Venuti, East Greenbush; Solo

*Welcome everyone!* Please be an active member and join in the fun. Look at the mast head of the Knock Off to get contact information of the member who heads the activity or activities you

want to take part in. Come to a membership meeting and meet some of your fellow members. It's the first Wednesday of every month at the Orchard Tavern<sup>1</sup> at 7:30. Or come earlier to share a dinner and conversation. No meeting in December. And in July we'll be at the Funplex in East Greenbush.

### Significant Anniversaries

#### 10 Years

Rich Teal

Jessica Lendrum

#### 5 Years

Dino Micacchi

May you have many more years of SCCA fun!

<sup>1</sup>The address for The Orchard Tavern is on the first page of every issue under the month & year heading.

## SOLO Report

Russ Burckhard



We are finally here. The 2016 Solo season starts this month. I hope everyone is ready. If not, there is still a little time left before the 21<sup>st</sup>. It is your last chance to get tires, brakes, shocks, etc... to prepare for the season. Now if you made any modifications over the off season, make sure to tell registration when you sign up so that they can place you in the correct class.

We were able to try the new bus

out last month by going to the Street Survival event. It was nice and easy to get the cones in and out. I am looking forward to the first event to use the bus again and to see how it is to load and unload the whole event.

Jon Kirschman will be our course designer this year. Welcome, Jon. I have seen some of his designs and am looking forward to trying them.

**IF YOU DON'T SWEAR WHILE DRIVING**



**THEN YOU ARE NOT PAYING ATTENTION TO THE ROAD AT ALL.**

# May 2016

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4 Membership Meeting	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 SAM Car Show
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 SOLO Test & Tune/SOLO School
22 SOLO Event 1	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

## June 2016

SU	MO	TU	WE	TH	FRI	SA
			1 Membership Meeting	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25 Test & Tune/ Solo School
26 SOLO Event 2	27	28	29	30		

### Miscellaneous Goo...

<http://www.mohud-scca.org/>

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Bus Crd	3x2	\$5.00	\$25.00

All ads must be prepaid. Non-commercial classified ads run in three (3) consecutive issues and are FREE to MEMBERS.

### QUOTE OF THE MONTH

(from <http://www.worldofquotes.com/topic/May/1/>)

"Among the changing months,  
May stands confessed  
The sweetest, and fairest  
in colors dressed."

~ James Thomson