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***Pole Position Deadline.*** Deadline for The ***Pole Position*** will be on the 20th of each month. ***Submissions are preferred in electronic format (e-mail, Word processor, diskette).*** The NNJR Board of Directors reserves the right to edit or refuse publication of anything deemed inappropriate.

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## FRANKLY SPEAKING

Hello to all my fellow NNJR members!

I hope everyone has had a chance to peruse our website to see some of the changes our new Webmaster has made to bring it up to date with modern technology. If you haven't had a chance to see the changes log on and check it out. Darrell is doing a great job here and the site will continue to improve over the coming weeks.

Your Board was disappointed with the announcement that the Runoffs would move to Topeka, Kansas in 2006. We don't believe the Board of Directors did a thorough due diligence before voting as only two facilities decided to bid [something is awry when only two tracks in the country desire to host this event, my opinion]. Traveling 1250 miles from NJ to Topeka is going to take its toll on the number of NNJR members making the trip coupled with the fact that the track needs millions of dollars of renovations to accommodate us is risky and may have the effect of diminishing the National Racing program in the Northeast.

We are at work getting ready for our Solo events and Pocono Regional. We will be accepting credit cards for payment of our entry fees at Club races this year. Terry Roberts and Ben Phillips are hard at work getting the bugs out so this runs smoothly.

We plan to send a rather large contingent of members to the Annual NEDIV Round Table to be held on March 18-20 in Rochester, NY so NNJR will be well represented.

Our monthly membership meetings at Jimmy's Haunt will resume on April 19<sup>th</sup>. I hope to see you there.

Yours for the Sport,

Frank Cioppettini



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OUR EXPERT PANEL OF RACING SPECIALTY CHIEFS WILL BE ON HAND TO ANSWER QUESTIONS  
OUR SOLO EXPERTS WILL BE ON HAND WITH INFORMATION ABOUT NNJR'S EXCITING SOLO PROGRAM

The emphasis is primarily on RACING, geared for the benefit of drivers and race-workers. **BUT**, the event is also open to  
would-be drivers, workers and new members who want to learn more about our sport and becoming involved!

Refreshments will be served

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## The Teddy Bear Rally 2004 By John Groot

Peter Schneider put together another great Teddy Bear Rally. This event has been held annually since 1990. (and was featured in the December 2004 issue of Sport Car). The event was 1<sup>st</sup> put on as a join event between the Northern New Jersey Region and the Motorsport Club of North Jersey (MCNJ), and then during the years that the Region's rally program was inactive, MCNJ and Saturn of Morristown has kept the event alive. The entry 'fee' for the rally is very simple, a Teddy Bear. These bears are donated to the US Marines' Toys for Tots program. Twenty-seven teams brought their bears to Saturn of Morristown and representatives of the Marine Corp were there to accept them. The Rally didn't disappoint the expectations. Peter is known for this Rally. The style involves some simple but subtle route traps (some involving photos) and no gimmick type questions. Scores are based on each team's ability to stay "on-course"; 100 points are added to your score for each mile "off-course", low score wins.

Most Motorsport Club of North Jersey events are built around what are called self correcting loops. That simply means deliberate traps are set up that cause the contestants to go off course but the following instructions or a manned checkpoint will bring all the contestants back on course. There were 12 traps in this year's Rally and everyone did at least one incorrectly, and all cars finished.

The first trap on the event involved the contest's knowledge of the event's general instruction. Inst #6 was a left a STOP intersection. The 1<sup>st</sup> place that you might have executed the 'left' at a "STOP" was a No Outlet and not a valid intersection. You needed to do a *Forced Left*, and then execute the left in Inst#6. If you didn't notice you shortcut the rallye by about .80 miles and missed a manned checkpoint and received 200 additional points for missing the on-course checkpoint.

Shortly after that they encountered the 1<sup>st</sup> photo trap of the event. The photo was of the top half of a Mile Marker sign. Since the photo only showed the word "MILE", each team had to look for the small details associated with the photo's background or weathering of the sign to make sure that they turn after the correct "MILE" sign. If they saw the correct "MILE" sign (the one in the picture) they made a left on Blue Mill Road, which became Madisonville Road and eventually went straight as possible into Route 202 just north of Bernardsville. If you missed it you passed Blue Mill and turned on Route 202 itself. Everybody got back on course in Bernardsville but with a mileage penalty if you missed the correct sign.

Using tricks/trap of this nature the event traveled through sections of Morris and Hunterdon and ended in Long Valley. For a complete list and explanation of the rally route and results, please visit [www.MCNJ.org](http://www.MCNJ.org).

## Our New Webmaster

*After eight years of dedication and hard work, Paul Little is retiring from the position of Webmaster. Paul created the NNJR website out of thin air, using many innovative techniques that are common today. We thank him for his service to the club, and as we all know, he continues his role as tech inspector, a job for which he was recognized at the recent worker party.*

*We welcome our new webmaster, Darrell Anthony, whose introduction follows.*

*Let me introduce myself, my name is Darrell Anthony, many know me as just "DA." I joined the SCCA in 1985. I started flagging everything from driver's schools to TransAm to Formula One, we even flagged the first NASCAR race at the Glen, they gave you food & beer and got the best seat in the house to watch great racing, can you beat that? I also ran for the occasional Solo II, talk about fun with your clothes on! In the early 90's I was a Trustee for NNJR, I learned a lot from that experience and thoroughly enjoyed it. I was Equipment Chief for several years in the 90's, setting up races at Lime Rock, Pocono and the Meadowlands CART. The Starter bug hit for several years in the mid 90's as well. In 1996 I took a break from racing to strengthen my career, what a mistake. The events of September 11th brought me back to my SCCA family. I lost two friends on that day and gained back a great family. I began flagging again and having fun! In October of 2002 at a post race (beer) party after the NARRC Runoffs Cory VanDeWeghe, Alan VanDeWeghe and I decided to get on the other side of the windshield. We purchased a GT4 Datsun 510 and started our racing career. I completed my required schools in 2003 at Lime Rock. I attempted two regional races and successfully completed one, the transmission and I had a disagreement in one of the races. In 2004 we went racing at Pocono, Lime Rock and Watkins Glen. Even more fun if possible with nomex on! I was asked to join the NNJR Board again in 2004. I volunteered to take the reigns of the NNJR website in February 2005, Paul has done great job and I hope I can fill his shoes. What follows is anyone's guess. My ultimate goal as a driver is to race in the 24 Hours of Daytona and not get run over. To honor Joe and Linda, true American heroes of 9/11, in each race I have entered I have worn my 'Raymond the Cat' tee shirt under my nomex. We drive a 510 and not a Tiger, but Raymond doesn't mind.*

**The 61<sup>st</sup> SCCA National Convention**  
**Westin Crown Center Hotel, Kansas City, January 27<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup>, 2005**

by Walter Huber

Ten members of the Northern New Jersey Region traveled to Kansas City, Missouri, to attend the sixty-first annual SCCA National Convention in late January. NNJ's **Bob Dowie**, a member of the Club Racing Board, arrived earlier in the week and had several meetings under his belt before more of the conventioners arrived on Wednesday. **Dave** and **Lenore Panas'** flight got there on Wednesday and **Nancy** & I drove in that evening. **RE Frank Cioppettini**, **Ass't RE Mike Feno** and **Bob Zecca** flew in on Thursday afternoon. **Terry & Peter Roberts** were there on Friday.

The Leadership Luncheon on Thursday, January 27<sup>th</sup>, was the official opening of the convention. Moderator and SCCA Archivist, **Peter Hylton** opened the luncheon by reading a note which said that the entire Board of Directors had been kidnapped. The kidnappers' note stated further that, "If our demands are not met, one director will be released every fifteen minutes."

This luncheon is the traditional opening welcome for the club's annual convention. It is here that regions are recognized for their efforts in websites, newsletters, membership growth and retention, plus the number and scope of member oriented and community spirit events which they've organized. In the NorthEast Division, **Mohawk-Hudson Region** was awarded first place for their website, and **Western New York Region** took third place. The **Glen Region** "*Sparkplug*" took first place and **Finger Lakes Region** "*Top End*" took third in the newsletter competition.

Regional Achievement Awards for the NorthEast Division were earned by **Blue Mountain Region** (1<sup>st</sup> place) and **Finger Lakes Region** (3<sup>rd</sup> place) each in their respective size category.

After a short break, the first of the working meetings of the convention got under way. This was the Annual Meeting. **Gary Pitts**, Chairman of the Board of the SCCA – and a former member of Northern New Jersey Region before his eventual move to the left coast – opened the meeting and gave his report. Retiring directors were recognized and thanked; following which the newly elected directors were installed. Reports were given by the members who head each of the competition areas and by our wholly owned subsidiaries: SCCA Pro, SCCA Foundation and SCCA Enterprises. These will be reported in more detail, as they are every year, in *SportsCar* magazine.

Following the Annual Meeting there was what has come to be known as "The Town Hall Meeting." Members may ask questions of the Board of Directors, flame them (well..., within reason and exercising propriety) or offer compliments. There were several questions regarding the recent announcement that the Runoffs® would be moving to Heartland Park in 2006. Members were interested in receiving more information regarding the transition.

Various other questions were presented, but I will only report one other. It is one that was also on my mind: In the late 1990's, the club began holding the National Convention in the home city of the club offices — earlier Denver, and more recently Kansas City which is about 60 miles from Topeka. In the mid 1990's and before, the convention moved around the country. Regions would bid on having the convention be held in a major city in that region's backyard. That made it nice to arrive several days before the convention and/or stay several days afterward and tour the area. In addition, we always enjoyed going to a new venue each year for the convention.

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The club has now held three conventions in KC and next year will be number four. Many of the members attending wanted to see the convention move around again as in the past. Several suggested that future convention cities should be located in the warmer southern states with cities such as Miami, New Orleans, San Antonio, Phoenix and San Diego being high on several lists.

The last meeting on Thursday was offered by SCCA University. Mr. **Steve McCurley**, a speaker, trainer and author of several books on the topic of volunteer management. He presented a very interesting and informative seminar at a plenary session titled “Protecting Us From Ourselves.” He discussed the benefits and negatives of member based, member run organizations. He gave a history of volunteerism in the United States. Ninety million people in the US donate four hours or more of their time each week. The value of this time is estimated to be \$266 billion. McCurley said that most organizations do not plan or properly manage volunteerism and discussed how inefficient and dangerous this can be.

In the evening everyone went across the street from the hotel to Kansas City’s historic Union Station. The main waiting room of this huge railroad station is itself immense. You could play indoor football in this waiting room. You could probably shoot off sky rockets and they mightn’t reach the ceiling. A large portion of the room had been cordoned off for our “Welcome Party.” A complete buffet was off to one side and a well-stocked bar was there for us to enjoy. Up on the mezzanine there was another buffet and another bar.

Also occupying space in the great hall waiting room was a model train display. The city fathers had invited a local model railroading club to set up some trains. Holy mackerel! – What a display! I think most of the trains were G-scale – this scale is bigger than your father’s Lionels. They had about ten transformers running trains all over the place. One of the many freight trains was made up almost entirely of hopper cars and gondolas. It had to be at least sixty feet long. There were a bunch of passenger trains running on the display also. The entire display was very nicely appointed with houses and buildings, cars and trucks, people, backgrounds and etc. SCCA members kept carrying their plates of food and their drinks from our party function to the model train display to watch with childlike fascination and to speak with the modelers operating the trains.

Friday morning began with another SCCA University offering. “Conflict Resolution and Management” was presented by **Barb Lundquist**. Given the very simple fact that SCCA is an organization based both upon our innate competitiveness and celebrating our developed skills by contesting with one another, it should be no surprise that our club also harbors conflict. Understanding, managing and resolving these conflicts is therefore important to the continued success of our organization.

Following this and continuing for the rest of the day, were a variety of seminars. Generally these seminars were organized along one of the “tracks” of the convention. There were tracks geared to regional administration, club racing, the various worker specialties, solo, rally, and competition preparation.

Friday’s luncheon began with moderator, **Peter Hylton**, announcing that the kidnappers had released the Board of Directors. Apparently, during their confinement, the BoD had begun discussion on revisions to the GCR; at which point the kidnappers offered **Steve Johnson** \$100,000 if he would come get them. The luncheon honored those who had excelled in Solo and in Rally competition during the 2004 year. Some highlights for the NorthEast Division: The Regional Achievement Award for Road Rally was shared by **New England Region**. The Arthur J. Gervais Award was shared by **Steel Cities Region** for their “*Steel Haul*” rally. In Solo, the Driver of the Year Award was given to **Tim Aro** of the Washington DC Region.

After the last of the seminars on Friday, we listened to **Lyn St. James** who spoke on her many years of experience in racing. Starting in regional racing with the SCCA in 1973, Ms St. James eventually raced in the Indy

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500 seven times. She also raced in IMSA GT competition and SCCA's Trans-Am. She raced the endurance events held at Sebring, Daytona and Le Mans.

On Saturday, the SCCA University presented the second annual Safety Symposium. Unfortunately an east coast snowstorm had caused one of the speakers to have to cancel his appearance. However, the other speakers picked up the slack and gave several informative presentations. **Arnie Kuhns**, the head of the SFI Foundation, spoke on the development of fire suppression standards. His talk highlighted various chemicals used in fire suppression systems and how they work. **Rich Shafer**, the developer of the Cool Shirt and the president of the company which markets them, spoke on the benefits of driver cooling systems, the effect of heat induced fatigue and heat stress. **Norfleet Smith** of the DuPont Corporation spoke on the development, manufacture and testing of their Nomex and similar fabrics and their use in finished products used in racing.

**Denise McCluggage** was the featured speaker at the Saturday evening banquet. Early in her career Denise was a sports columnist for the *New York Herald Tribune*, writing about motor racing competition. She raced at many venues around the world in a list of different car marques as long as your arm. She has written several books and was among the cofounders of *Competition Press* (now *Autoweek*), for which she still writes a column.

The highlight of this year's convention was the Saturday evening banquet where the inaugural class was inducted into the SCCA Hall of Fame. Ten people who were instrumental in the success of the club and its programs were inducted. Among them were several friends of Northern New Jersey Region. **John Fitch**, a Formula One factory driver for Mercedes-Benz in the 1950s, still lives in Lime Rock, Connecticut, and stops by the track frequently during SCCA events to greet his many friends. **Harry Handley** was an early rallyist with the club. A "collector" of the first order, Harry saved many of the club's earliest records when the offices moved from Westport. He was a prodigious reader and had an amazing memory for facts and trivia. For many years he was the club's archivist. **Sue Roethel** has been active at all levels of SCCA activity. A member of the Washington DC Region, she has also served at the divisional level and was on staff at national. For many years she was Chief Steward of the Runoffs®. She is still active as a member of the SCCA Court of Appeals. **Art Trier** was Chairman of the Solo Events Board in the early 1980's. Art wrote many of the rules and procedures which still define the Solo program today. While living on Long Island and a member of the New York Region, Art was also a member of NNJR and always competed in our events. He tells me that he enjoyed competing with NNJR because our Solo program was well managed and run, and also because he wasn't administratively involved and could have more fun. Art & his wife, **Naomi**, now live in Florida. You can read more about these four friends of NNJR and also about the remaining six inductees when the next *SportsCar* magazine comes out.

Also featured at the Saturday evening banquet were the presentation of several of the SCCA's highest awards. Among them is the Woolf Barnato Award, SCCA's highest honor. It is presented to the member who has made the most outstanding contribution to the club and its competition programs. This year's recipient was the Area I immediate past National Director, **Kathy Barnes**. Kathy continues her service to the SCCA by now serving as Regional Executive of the New England Region.

These are just some of the highlights of the national convention. The next issue of *SportsCar* will have a complete convention report. The annual National Convention has always been an enjoyable and informative event. Within the last several years, though, the addition of the SCCA University classes and the presentation of the annual Safety Symposium sponsored by the SCCA Foundation have made the SCCA national conventions an even more enjoyable, dynamic and fulfilling experience.

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Lynne St. James speaking at the Club Racing Luncheon



Frank Cioppettini, Mike Feno, Walter Huber, Nancy Huber, Lenore Panas and Dave Panas at the Club Racing Luncheon



Barb Lundquist, Director of SCCA University



Bob Zecca getting an extra security check



Pocono in the snow



Bob Zecca and Mike Feno meeting John Fitch, one of the Hall of Fame inductees



Mike Feno meets with Denise McCluggage, the keynote speaker at the banquet



Some of the Hall of Fame inductees and relatives



Steve Johnson addressing the "SCCA"

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**NORTHERN NEW JERSEY REGION  
SPORTS CAR CLUB OF AMERICA  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
December 2, 2004**

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 pm at the Cioppettini residence in Far Hills, NJ.

Present: Frank Cioppettini, Mike Feno, Joe Russell, Alan VanDeWeghe, Darrell Anthony, Ben Phillips and Bob McCutcheon.

Absent: Walter Mann

Guests: Jeff Burke

Secretary's Report – The November 2004 minutes were approved as read by a motion from Alan VanDeWeghe, which was seconded by Joe Russell.

Treasurer's Report – The financial statements and Accounts Payable Aging were reviewed and approved by a motion from Alan VanDeWeghe, which was seconded by Joe Russell. The transponder audit has been completed utilizing all currently available information.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Bylaws Committee: No report.

Racing Committee:

Pocono Raceway deposit to be delivered.

The upcoming challenges to race operations at Lime Rock Park were discussed.

Rally Committee:

Frank Cioppettini will contact Peter Schneider regarding his availability to again chair the Rally Committee during the 2005 season.

Solo Committee – No report.

Social Committee:

The Annual Dinner Meeting and Plans for the Worker Recognition Party were discussed.

Membership Committee:

Options for the production and printing of the Pole Position were discussed.

Web Site upgrades and updating was discussed, Darrell Anthony to develop a format and research infrastructure requirements.

Northern New Jersey Region membership has enjoyed an increase of ten percent.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Correspondence sent:

Frank Cioppettini sent letters thanking Pamela Haines, Sharon A. Burke and Fred Hammond for their years of service to the region. Frank Cioppettini sent letters to the top ten finishers of the NNJRRC reminding them of the requirements to receive the trophy and prize money.

Correspondence received:

Frank Cioppettini received a letter and certificate from National recognizing the timely and efficient filing of all required applications and fees.

Frank Cioppettini received the Region's Charter from National.

Frank Cioppettini received a letter from Doris Gronlund thanking the Region for inviting her to the Annual Dinner and offering Linda's Datsun to be raffled as a region fund raiser.

The Board expressed it's appreciation for the offer and discussed making arrangements and the appropriate use for any funds received.

Frank Cioppettini received letters from Diane Miller and Mr. McKinley concerning the Annual Dinner.  
Frank Cioppettini received a letter from NYSRRC concerning the inclusion of NNJR events in the series.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

The appointment of members to the By Laws Committee was discussed.

The future of Fire Rescue was discussed, Jeff Burke will discuss the inclusion of SCCA members with Lime Rock Park Emergency Services.

The appointment or reappointment of Club Racing Committee Chair and Specialty Chiefs was discussed.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

**Robert J. McCutcheon**

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Secretary

**NORTHERN NEW JERSEY REGION  
SPORTS CAR CLUB OF AMERICA  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
January 9, 2005**

The meeting was called to order at 11:55 am at the Cioppettini residence in Far Hills, NJ. , following a working meeting at the same location.

Present: Frank Cioppettini, Mike Feno, Joe Russell, Alan VanDeWeghe, Darrell Anthony, Ben Phillips, Walter Mann and Bob McCutcheon.

Secretary's Report – The Secretary's report was tabled until February's meeting

Treasurer's Report – The financial statements and Accounts Payable Aging were reviewed and approved by a motion from Alan VanDeWeghe, which was seconded by Joe Russell.

The Regions financial position has improved during the fiscal year 2004. Accounts receivable were reviewed, invoices have been sent and any outstanding accounts are to receive follow up contact. The Regions budget has been revised to accommodate expected operating expenses at Lime Rock Park. The Region is currently operating to budget at present.

Also discussed was the creation of a Capitol Reserves fund to be utilized for the future replacement and procurement of equipment and supplies. The Treasurer will prepare a Pro-forma for the next Board meeting.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Bylaws Committee:

The Bylaws Committee will be chaired by Frank Cioppettini and will also include Basil O'Connor and John Mohr.

Racing Committee, Rally Committee and Solo Committee:

The First Annual NNJR SCCA Worker Symposium for Club Racing, Rally and Solo was discussed and was scheduled for March 6, 2005 at a location to be determined.

Racing Committee:

Once a year tech is scheduled for April 10, 2005 at Reinertsens with a second event scheduled for May 1, 2005 at G&S Automotive. Discussed was the May 1 conflict with a Regional at LRP and Bill Etherington requesting funds for Tech supplies which was held over to New Business.

Rally Committee:

Peter Schneider has agreed to return as Rally Committee Chairman and will develop a schedule for the 2005 season.

Solo Committee:

The 2005 schedule to be finalized and published in the Pole Position.

Social Committee:

The Worker Recognition Party, scheduled for February 5, 2005, was discussed. Walter Mann reported that Culinary Creations will be contracted to again cater the event after doing a great job in 2004. The contract for catering will be \$847.40 and Walter Mann requested a check in the amount of \$300.00 to be used as a deposit.

Walter Mann requested assistance for Worker Recognition Party set up to arrive at 5:30pm.

Frank Cioppettini requested an amount not to exceed \$300.00 to be used for the procurement of worker awards, this was held over to New Business.

Membership Committee:

The publication of the Pole Position was discussed and Walter Mann requested a check in an amount not to exceed \$500.00 to cover the cost of publication.

Walter Mann reported that the temporary production of the Pole Position would cost about \$250 per issue until a member could be appointed to this position.

Web Site upgrades and updating was discussed, Darrell Anthony has begun to research and develop a format and will continue to do so.

Northern New Jersey Region membership now stands at 1177.

Walter Mann discussed the development of an information booth to be utilized at appropriate public events.

Walter Mann discussed bringing a TV/VCR to once a year tech.

Frank Cioppettini is planing to contact Jimmy's Haunt to reserve space for the April meeting.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Correspondence sent:

Frank Cioppettini sent a letter thanking Doris Gronlund and discussing the generous offer of Linda's Datsun.

Frank Cioppettini, regarding the return of Region materials, contacted Robin Bohnenburger.

Frank Cioppettini, regarding the return of Region materials, contacted Pamela Haines.

Correspondence received:

Frank Cioppettini received a letter from Pocono Raceway inquiring about the region's needs of ambulance service at the event to be held there

Frank Cioppettini was contacted by several members regarding I-Card.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

A motion was made by Darrell Anthony, seconded by Joe Russell, discussed and approved, providing an amount not to exceed \$300.00 to be used for R.E. worker recognition awards.

A motion was made by Darrell Anthony, seconded by Joe Russell, discussed and approved, providing between \$100.00 and \$200.00 for beverages to be served at the Worker Recognition Party.

A motion was made by Mike Feno, seconded by Darrell Anthony, discussed and approved, providing an amount not to exceed \$300.00 to be used for Tech Supplies.

Frank Cioppettini would like to encourage as many Board members as possible to attend the Round Table in Rochester on March, 18, 19 and 20.

The Board discussed NNJR inclusion in the NARRC and NYSRRC racing series.

The Board discussed the NNJRRC and decided the prize amounts should be \$200 for first place \$100 for second place and \$50 for third place, Frank Cioppettini. Ben Phillips and Victoria Motorsports will provide the trophy.

A motion was made by Joe Russell seconded by Alan VanDeWeghe and approved providing the funds required for NNJRRC prize money,

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:32pm.

Respectfully submitted,

**Robert J. McCutcheon**

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Secretary

## ***Upcoming NNJR Events:***

Sunday, March 6, 2005	NNJR SCCA Worker/Volunteer Symposium Driving Impressions, Dover, NJ
March 18-20, 2005	NEDIV Round Table, Fairport, NY
Saturday, March 19, 2005	Solo, Raceway Park, Englishtown, NJ

## ***NNJR SCCA 2005 TENTATIVE SOLO SCHEDULE [all events held at Raceway Park, Englishtown, NJ]:***

March 19, 2005	March 26, 2005
April 2, 2005	April 9, 2005
May 7, 2005	May 28, 2005
July 9, 2005	July 30, 2005
September 3, 2005	October 22, 2005
October 29, 2005	November 5, 2005
November 12, 2005	

## **HISTORIC RACE GROUP 2005 SCHEDULE**

April 30 <sup>th</sup> - May 1	New Hampshire Intl Speedway
May 14-15	Pocono Raceway
May 30	Lime Rock Park
August 5-6	Lime Rock Park
August 20-21	Beaver Run
September 27-28	New Hampshire Intl Speedway
September 17-18	Watkins Glen

**Worker Recognition Party Photos  
taken by Mike Feno**



“Sound Man” Joe Russell and  
“Too Loud” Cioppettini



Bob McCutcheon and Sue  
Kolker found their way to the  
buffet



Frank Burger receives the  
Solo Driver of the Year  
Award from Perry  
Aidelbaum



Some of the Solo crowd: Don Slevin, John  
Abella, Chairman Ernie Anderson, Perry  
Aidelbaum and Tony Crea



Paul Little, Bill Hughes and Carl  
Totillo filling their plates



Linda Louie with  
her worker gift for  
Timing and Scoring



Peter Roberts, Treasurer Ben Phillips and  
New Member Liaison Bob Zecca enjoying  
the party



Terry Roberts receives her  
award for an outstanding job  
as Registrar

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Steve Ambrose receives the much deserved Worker of the Year Award from RE Frank Cioppettini



Ernie Anderson, Don Slevin and Donna Nusspickel at the bounteous buffet



Rachel and Jessica Bohnenberger accepting the gift for their mother Robin for her work as editor of Pole Position



Christine and Jeremy Greenberg enjoying the copious repast



It definitely is a family night - members of all ages are welcome



Paul Little and Bill Etherington with their Tech Committee worker gifts



John Abella at the buffet



Joe Baruch receives the Junior Worker of the Year Award from Frank

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# The 2005 Northern New Jersey Region Road Racing Championship for the Victoria Cup

**Eligibility:** In order for a Competitor to be eligible to earn points and compete for the Championship he/she shall be a member of NNJR, enter and compete in all three NNJR Regional Races in 2005 [Double Regional at Pocono on 5/14-15 and the Regional at Lime Rock on 8/5-6]. A driver shall be classified as a starter or have qualified in each of the three races to be considered eligible for the championship. Failure to be a starter or to qualify for each race will render a competitor ineligible for the Championship. All employees, owners, agents of Victoria Motorsports are ineligible for points towards the Championship. NNJR will tally all points and it is not necessary for a competitor to register or forward results sheets. All drivers will be considered for the Championship by virtue of entering the first race at Pocono on 5/15/2005. The Champion and other prize winners will be the Drivers who satisfy the aforementioned criteria, accumulates the most points and attends the NNJR Annual Dinner and Awards Banquet. In the event the Drivers with the highest accumulated points meeting the aforementioned eligibility criteria does not attend the Banquet then the championship trophy and prize money will be awarded to the Drivers in attendance with the most accumulated points meeting the eligibility criteria.

**Points:** Each competitor that finishes pursuant to the Official final results will be awarded points as follows:

1 <sup>st</sup> place	30 points	10 <sup>th</sup> place	16 points	18 <sup>th</sup> place	8 points
2 <sup>nd</sup> place	27 points	11 <sup>th</sup> place	15 points	19 <sup>th</sup> place	7 points
3 <sup>rd</sup> place	25 points	12 <sup>th</sup> place	14 points	20 <sup>th</sup> place	6 points
4 <sup>th</sup> place	23 points	13 <sup>th</sup> place	13 points	21 <sup>st</sup> place	5 points
5 <sup>th</sup> place	21 points	14 <sup>th</sup> place	12 points	22 <sup>nd</sup> place	4 points
6 <sup>th</sup> place	20 points	15 <sup>th</sup> place	11 points	23 <sup>rd</sup> place	3 points
7 <sup>th</sup> place	19 points	16 <sup>th</sup> place	10 points	24 <sup>th</sup> place	2 points
8 <sup>th</sup> place	18 points	17 <sup>th</sup> place	9 points	25 <sup>th</sup> place	1 point
9 <sup>th</sup> place	17 points				

In addition, one additional point will be awarded for each car a competitor finishes ahead of, including cars that are classified as DNF's, (i.e. if a competitor finishes 3<sup>rd</sup> in class and there were 9 cars in his/her class the driver will receive 31 total points for that race regardless of whether all 9 cars are eligible to compete for the Championship).

In the event of a tie the winners shall be decided based upon the number of first place finishes in class, then if necessary, the number of second place finishes in class, etc.

**Judges:** The NNJR Club Racing Committee shall act as the judge for this Championship and shall decide all matters including ties and disputes in their sole discretion.

1<sup>st</sup> place prize — Victoria Cup Trophy and \$200.00

2<sup>nd</sup> place prize — \$100.00

3<sup>rd</sup> place prize — \$50.00

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## SWAP AND SHOP CLASSIFIEDS

**CREW HELP WANTED:** Our Formula Car team is looking to add to their crew. No experience is necessary, we will teach you how! All aspects of racecar preparation, from data acquisition to routine maintenance would be experienced. The car is prepared in Flemington, NJ, typically on Tuesday nights. Travel to the race-track is optional. For more info contact **Dave Scaler** – mail [dave@advanagemotorsports.com](mailto:dave@advanagemotorsports.com) or call 908-303-9110. 4/05

**FOR SALE:** 1988 Honda CRX Si ECU - \$50.00, 88 Integra ECU- \$50.00, complete Iceman Cold Air Intake for 88 CRX Si- \$75.00, Flomaster muffler 2” in and out- \$50, 94 Integra 14” steel wheels- \$25 ea., 94 Integra hubcaps \$10 ea. Sal D’Amico 732-985-2567 [sdamico@verizon.net](mailto:sdamico@verizon.net) 4/05

**HELP WANTED:** SCCA instructors needed for part-time work on training corporate sales reps in northern N.J. Will also train non if you qualify. Send resume or call Bill Buff at 732-219-0404, ext. 4 or e-mail [bill@drivingdynamics.com](mailto:bill@drivingdynamics.com) 4/05

**FOR SALE:** Tack with shift light and full instruments; transmissions with limited slip; camber plates; coil overs; fuel cell; oil cooler; six new 7” Mopar wheels mounted with new Kumon 225/50-14; many spares; best of everything. Contact Walter Mann at 973-835-1287 or [wmann@prodigy.net](mailto:wmann@prodigy.net) 4/05

### Attention Members!

Please submit any photos you would like to appear on our website to [Darrell@NeedMoreRacing.com](mailto:Darrell@NeedMoreRacing.com).

Photos must be in JPG format and 600px wide maximum so that my e-mail box does not explode.

I would also like to do a Team page that shows NNJR members race teams with some history and photos of their cars, with sponsorship displayed. If teams would please send me a quick bio and pictures for the Team page, it would be greatly appreciated.

Thanks,

Darrell



**Dear Prospective SCCA Member:**

To apply for membership in the Sports Car Club of America, the world's largest member participation automotive organization, please complete the form below in full and return, with payment, to your region or the SCCA Membership Department, P.O. Box 19400, Topeka, KS 66619-0400.

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Spouse Member Number If Current Member \_\_\_\_\_

**IF APPLYING FOR FAMILY MEMBERSHIP** (husband/wife and children), list names and ages of children under 21:

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Have you been an SCCA member before?  No  Yes: Year \_\_\_\_\_ Previous Member No: \_\_\_\_\_

Please send me a Crew License (check box)

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0 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Spouse Member \$15.00 +	Spouse Member \$5.00 =	\$ _____
0 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Family Membership \$85.00 +	Family Membership \$20.00 =	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> First Gear \$ +	First Gear (Reg. dues) \$ =	\$45.00

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Enclosed is my check or money order for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ U.S. DO NOT SEND CASH.

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