



## On the Welcome Wagon...

- Written by: David Hess

What does it matter how many? Why do we care and does it really mean anything unless there is some benefit other than receiving a discount, a newsletter, and a "free" magazine?

Some South Jersey Region (SJR) SCCA members have been members since the club's inception, while others may have joined just this past month. It occurred to me recently that there may be a large disparity in expectations, both what can be gained from, and what may be expected of, a member in a club. The SJR is after all a club. Right?

Recently I visited the SCCA.com forum where I found a message regarding the percentage of "active participant" being rather low, between 5 and 15 percent. In response someone asked what an "active participant" really meant.

Part of the responsibility of an elder is to welcome and become acquainted with new members. For the past couple months our region has placed a small blurb to welcome our newest members. It's not much, granted, but it is more than what we were doing before.

Under that same topic in the forum area and a few more responses down, I read a message from a new SCCA member that really spoke to my heart.

Posted: 08.February.2006 at 10:55am

I'm a new member (less than a year) and I have some thoughts...

Most organizations try to get new members "involved" as soon as possible. Giving them something to do makes them feel needed and wanted. I think we need to do a better job making personal contact with our "casual" members.

I don't want to criticize my region too harshly, since I don't know their situation and I haven't been to a meeting, but I haven't heard from anyone in the region since I joined almost a year ago. I sent an email offering assistance and never got a reply. It would have been nice for them to call me personally (not just a post card or email), found out my interests and ask me to help out with an event in some capacity. I would have been thrilled!

I was able to find a couple of specialties I was interested in and worked 7 days this year

through my own initiative and contacts I made on this board. Racers aren't the only members we have that can fill these slots. Let's roll out the welcome wagon to our new members.

\_\_\_\_ Joe Freeland - Pauls Valley OK

I wonder how many other new members feel this way.

So let me take this opportunity to say a very warm, and heart felt welcome to any member who for some reason has felt unnecessary... unwelcomed...

Also on behalf of our elders, I'm quickly approaching this table too, it isn't that we are not interested in contacting you more personally, it's just that it's easy to become busy with our tasks to put on the next event, plan a budget for the year, replace broken-down equipment or even our day-to-day lives, we can easily forget that the most important responsibility we have is to welcome you, our new members.

Please look over the following pages closely. There is plenty of opportunity to become involved in an event.



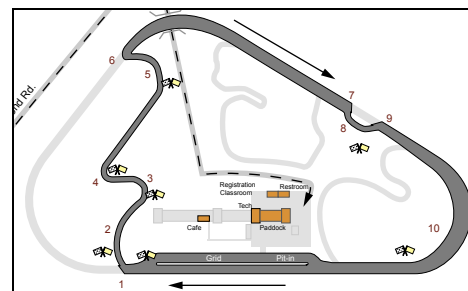
### Vintage Gran Prix - May 6-7th

Who would have thought the Camden Waterfront could be turned into a racing circuit? p.3



### Solo 2 Dates - Finalized!

Preregister now for the first points event scheduled for March 26th @ Atco Raceway. p.3



### Performance Driving eXperience

The second annual (PDX) has been scheduled for June 16-17th @ the Pocono Long Course. p.3&6

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## At Speed and Meetings

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# Events & Announcements

## Vintage GranPrix - May 6th & 7th

<http://www.vscga.org>



Imagine... you travel back in time, the streets of the Camden Waterfront miraculously turned into a racing circuit, and moving pieces of glorious, metallic sculpture on wheels are all about you. You don't have to imagine - during the first weekend in May, the 6th and 7th, South Jersey Region will be assisting the Vintage Sports Car Club of America in their quest to turn back time and hold a races on the Camden Waterfront.

Not only will you be able to watch the event as a spectator, but because you are a member of the South Jersey Region SCCA this provides you a unique opportunity to be a part of it all. With the help of other qualified members of the region, you can get a "front-row seat" by helping "flag" a corner.

Please contact Sue King to learn more: 856.629.4966 or email: [1arunit@snip.net](mailto:1arunit@snip.net)

## Wheels of Giving - Car Show

Fellow racers, motorcycle, car, truck and "I'm into anything with an engine" enthusiasts!

I am organizing an event which will be The Innaugural "Wheels of Giving" Car Show that will be held on May 6th at the Primavera Restaurant in Voorhees, NJ on Rt.73. (Formerly Diamond Diner) The Voorhees Breakfast Rotary Club Foundation (a Rotary International club) will be hosting the event.

We are a non-profit organization, so this is all for charity. The proceeds will benefit **Laps To Conquer MS**. [www.lapstoconquerms.org](http://www.lapstoconquerms.org)

We are in need of cars & bikes for the show, but we also are in need of sponsorship. Please see the attached documents for details.

Any donation will gaurantee the success of our event, and I always appreciate your support.

[Flyer, entry and sponsor forms can be found at <http://www.nerdracing.com>]

For more information contact: Jill Canuso 609-381-7844 or [littlejiant@comcast.net](mailto:littlejiant@comcast.net)

## Solo 2 Schedule

To preregister visit: [www.sjr-scca.org](http://www.sjr-scca.org)

- 03/26 - Autocross points event #1 @ Atco
- 04/30 - Autocross points event #2 @ Atco
- 06/11 - Autocross points event #3 @ Atco
- 07/09 - Autocross points event #4 @ Atco
- 08/02 - Autocross points event #5 @ Atco
- 09/16 - Autocross points event #6 @ Atco (Sat.)
- 10/15 - Autocross points event #7 @ Atco
- 11/12 - Autocross points event #8 @ Atco

## March Calendar

- 03/1 - Board Meeting @ Hess Station
- 03/8 - Membership Meeting @ Whistler's Inn, Rt. 130, Cinnaminson
- 03/12 - Road Rally "Spring Thaw"
- 03/24, 25, 26 - WDCR Racing School
- 03/26 - Autocross points event #1 @ Atco

## Performance Driving eXperience (PDX) - June 16th & 17th

South Jersey Region in cooperation with Philadelphia and N.E. Pennsylvannia Regions, effectively known as "Tri-Region", will host the 2nd annual PDX at Pocono International Raceway. Choose to run either one day (\$250) or two days (\$450) on the Pocono "Long" configuration. Instructors will be available for novice and intermediate groups. As more information becomes available it will be posted on: [www.triregionracing.org](http://www.triregionracing.org)

## Northeast Division Mini-Convention - November 10-12th

South Jersey Region will be the host for the 2006 NeDiv Mini-Con to be held on November 10-12th at the Clarion in Cherry Hill, NJ. More information will be available in the next coming months about seminars/courses as well as hotel/stay information.

## 2006 South Jersey Region Road Rally Series

The SJR- SCCA is proud to announce their 2006 Road Rally series. The eight rallies will use JG Cook's Bar and Grill, 692 Lambs Rd., Pitman, NJ 08071; as headquarters for all the events. All Rallies will start and finish at JG Cook's on late Sunday mornings. Registration opens at 10 am on the day of the event. The Rallies are open to all types of cars and small trucks. Each vehicle will be piloted by two member teams consisting of a driver and navigator. The vehicles will travel on back country roads at safe legal speeds. The first twenty entries will receive commemorative dash plaques. The teams the complete the course most closely to the perfect time will be awarded distinctive trophies.

03/12/06 - Spring Thaw  
04/23/06 - April Showers  
05/21/06 - May Flowers  
06/11/06 - Picture This  
07/23/06 - Summer Heat  
08/06/06 - Oldies but Goodies

09/24/06 - Fall Foliage  
10/15/06 - Witch Way out of Jeopardy

Info/Registration/Flyer @ <http://www.sjr-scca.org/rally.html>

## Our Newest Members!

- Jeffrey A. DiLazzero
- William Hall
- James Han

## Annual Tech Inspection!

Sat., April 15th @ 10ish  
Location: 1643 Bluebell Rd., Williamstown, NJ 08094. (Sue King's House)

# Board of Directors Meeting - February 2006

- Submitted by: Sue King

The February 2006 Board of Directors for the South Jersey Region of the Sports Car Club of America, Inc. was held at the home of J.D. King on Wednesday evening, February 1, 2006. The meeting was called to order by R.E., Jim Tornetta at 8:30 PM.

Present were: Jack Oliver, David Hess, Jim Tornetta, Sue King, J.D. King and Jim Wakeman.

**Solo II** – Jim Tornetta reporting for John Borden stated that we have applied for 20 dates at Atco. We have no firm commitment yet on these dates. Due to new construction at the track we may lose about 60 feet for new grandstands. It was felt that this should not interfere with the area we normally run on. There will not be a drivers school this year. It was suggested that we contact the Vineland radio station, WOVL, to promote dates.

**Treasurer's Report** – None.

**Membership** – We have 214 paid members to date.

**Merchandise** – Jim Tornetta inquired who had last ordered the T-shirts. J.D. replied that he had taken care of ordering. It was suggested that we order a different color and gray was the winning color. We will need several different sizes. J.D. will take care of this project. Jim has ordered two Solo II rulebooks and two GCR's from National. The rulebooks will be kept on board the Solo II trailer. J.D. suggested that we put the rulebooks in a binder so that they don't walk away.

**Mini Con** – David reported that we are under contract with the Clarion in Cherry Hill. We have a block of 80 rooms. Some of the preliminary programs were discussed such as

Rally X, Safety Steward, track worker training, hillclimb/Solo I, car set up, rally to NJ Motorsports Park. Sue felt that we should have Sue Salsberg put on a Hillclimb/Solo I seminar. Jim stated that she has been contacted and she is all for putting on this seminar. J.D. suggested that we have a tech seminar and Bill Etherington from Northern New Jersey Region be contacted about do this seminar. J.D. will follow up on this. Discussion followed on who we should contact for area promotions such as Dept. of Recreation, Chambers of Commerce, Casino Redevelopment Authority. We could use sponsorship for the Friday evening get together, breaks and lunch. We will need a registrar and Sue suggested that Gayle Hess might be the one to do this. Jim asked that, if anyone has any ideas, they express them by email with a copy to everyone on the Board.

**Rally** – Jim Wakeman reported that a schedule has been set with dates covering from March to October. There is a new rally page on the South Jersey Region web page and Jim will post these dates on the website. Dave Teter is the Rally Licensing Chairman for our Division and renewals for licenses should be sent to him. These rallies will be run out of J.D. Cooks in Pitman. The Midlantic Rally Series is done and that series can be accessed through their website Midlanticseries.com.

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM.

## 2005 Award Recipients

- Submitted by: J.D. King

### **Regional Executive Award:**

Sam Resnick  
Dan Zane

### **Member of the Year:**

Valerie Heun

### **Driver of the Year:**

Meg Meyer

### **Rookie of the Year:**

Steve Wilson

### **Dave Rose Sportsmanship:**

Jim Wakeman

### **Solo 2 Driver of the Year:**

John Eken

### **Solo 2 Worker of the Year:**

Scott Boito

### **Solo 2 Rookie of the Year:**

Kimberly Graziano

### **Runoffs Recognition Award:**

Matt DiRenzo  
Jim Boggs  
Evan Kesselman

# Tri-Region Meeting - January 2006

- Submitted by: Judy Bloeser

The January 2006 meeting of Tri-Region Race Group was held at Lacey's in Quakertown on 1/19/06. Fourteen members representing all three Regions were in attendance.

Chairman George Bloeser began the meeting with his overriding objective: We need to expedite our planning for the **Performance Driving Experience (PDX)** to get information out to the public as soon as possible. People are planning their driving experiences now!

The Secretary asked for the names of the Representatives and Alternates from each Region.

**South Jersey Reps:** JD King, Dave Teal, Jack Oliver  
**Alts:** Fay Teal, Delores Oliver

**NEPA Reps:** Joe Wilkie, Hugh Maloney, Sarah Maloney  
**Alt:** Steve Morehead

**Philadelphia Reps:** George Bloeser, Joe Aquilante, Jay Smith  
**Alts:** Marge Lochum, Judy Bloeser, Bob Maurer

The minutes of the previous meeting 12/19/05 were approved, and the Treasurer reported that the 2005 Double National was a financial success which helped offset the loss

from the PDX. Donations to Laps to Conquer MS should come through the Treasurer in the future so there is a paper trail. A deposit of \$1000 has been made to Pocono Raceway.

JD King has received the contract from Pocono Raceway which needs to be signed and returned.

George Bloeser spoke of his VP Motorsports Show experiences, including his introduction to Bob Pleban, Vice President/Administration of Pocono Raceway. Flyers about our 2006 events at Pocono were handed out by Philly Region members Bill Connery and John Thompson at the area where their cars were displayed.

## Critical decisions were made about the 2006 PDX:

1. The cost will be \$250 for 1 day; \$450 for 2 days (Motion King/Maurer. Passed). Anyone paying on the day of the event will be assessed an additional \$25.
2. Cancellation date – June 1. No refunds after June 1.
3. Food – hotdogs, hamburgers, dessert, and beverages.

4. Ask for not-for-profit discount when appropriate.

5. The day's schedule will start with a session for track familiarization for instructors while others are in the classroom.

6. Someone needs to take the role of Announcer/Time Keeper to keep the event moving.

7. The schedule will include four 30-minute sessions for each participant.

8. The break even point will be around 55 participants/day.

9. We reserve the right to refuse any entry.

Members will look over the Tasks List and be prepared to accept responsibilities at the next meeting. A rough schedule will be presented at the next meeting for consideration.

The supps and entry form for the Double National need to be reviewed and revised. Copies of these and the Pocono contract will be distributed. There may be eight race groups required to accommodate all 25 classes, including the Spec Miatas and T3s. Jay Smith will work up a paddock map.





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Northeast Pennsylvania Regions

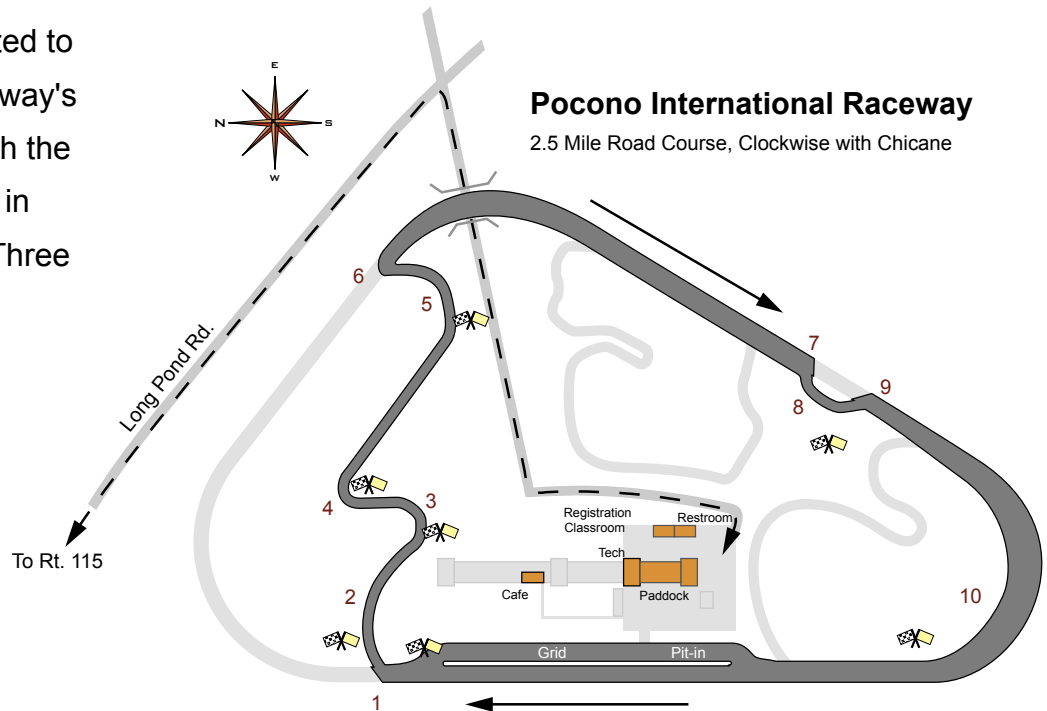
Subject: **Performance Driving eXperience**  
at Pocono International Raceway (Long Road Course)

Date: Friday, June 16 and Saturday, June 17, 2006

Cost: \$250 for one day - \$450 for two days

Bring: Bring a car, a helmet (snell 95 or newer),  
and a willingness to have fun and learn.

You are cordially invited to drive on Pocono Raceway's Long Road Course with the largest sports car club in America, the SCCA. Three regions are combining resources to provide you, the driver, a fantastic on-track eXperience in your own car. In addition to classroom sessions, performance driving instructors will be available during your four, thirty minute sessions on-course, per day. Consessions, restrooms and showers will be available during the day. Dinner will be provided Friday evening for drivers registered for either day at no additional cost. Guests are welcome to eat for a small additional fee.



Pre-registration and further details will be available soon on the SCCA Tri-Region website: [www.triregionracing.org](http://www.triregionracing.org)

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Saturday, April 15th, 10:00 am

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