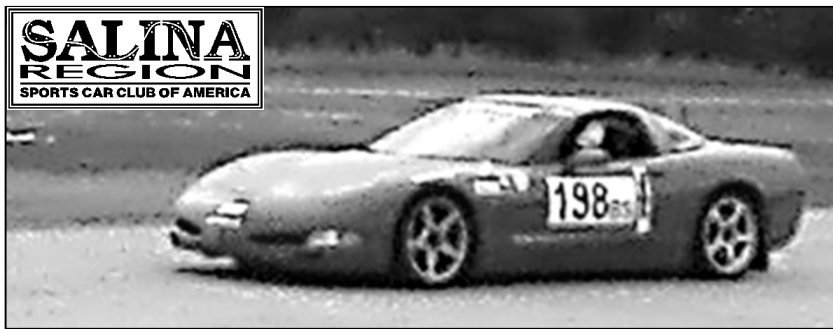


The Write Line

~ February/March 2018 ~



Joey Green, BS Corvette, 2017 Salina Region Driver of the Year

The official newsletter of the Salina Region SCCA

Regional Executive Views

Hey everyone, have you noticed the schedule? We are just a couple of weeks from the start of the 2018 season!

Some early dates to remember: March 17 and 18, test and tune on Saturday and first solo on Sunday. Following that on April 13-15 is the annual Evolution School and dual solos. If you look on the Salina website, www.salinasc.ca.org, the schedule is there. It's also on Pg. 2 of this *Write Line*. I believe we still need a few places filled for event chairs and safeties so if you would like to design your own course or even co-chair an event let the board know and we can get you set up.

I would like to thank everyone who helped make our banquet a success. The weather may have kept some away but for the ones that showed up the Brookville Hotel treated us very well. Also, I want to thank the outgoing board members, Chris Hund, Radlee Bien and Susan Puls, for their contributions to the club last year, and welcome returning board members Dennis and Nancy Smith and new member Clint Holmes.

If you did not make the banquet and trophied in your class there is an award waiting for you. It will be delivered to the first event weekend for you to claim so please come and pick it up. We would prefer that

Top Awards at the Salina Region Banquet

Driver of the Year ~ Joey Green

Rookie of the Year ~ Brian Hardeman

Newcomers of the Year ~ Sharon & Henry Brillhart

Most Improved ~ J.D. Baughman

Worker of the Year ~ Monte Rans

everyone pick up their award so the club does not have to ship them.

There are going to be some changes to the grid procedures this year so please let me know what you think. I am trying to make the registration process as smooth as possible and it would help greatly if everyone would please preregister for the events. You have probably noticed that the preregistered people get through registration much faster and have nothing to fill out on-site. And they save five bucks compared to an on-site entry. You can also pay entry fees online (for an extra tag of \$2) or pay on-site as you choose.

Even if you are not sure if you will make the event, the paperwork is still easier if you preregister. No-shows are easier and less time consuming than walk-ins, plus we know you're interested and will let you know about the next ones coming up. So please preregister.

See you on course,

—Monte Rans, RE, Salina Region

► Next Event ◀

March 17 - Test & Tune

Free to all Sunday entrants, \$15 Saturday-only

March 18 - Season Opener Solo

East Crawford Recreation Area

Pre-register (save \$5) – use link at www.salinasc.ca.org

On-site registration opens 8:30, closes 10:00 ~ Course open to walk by 9:00
Novice Coursewalk 10:00 ~ Driver's meeting 10:30 ~ Cars on course by 11:00

Next Business Meeting

March 17
After the Test & Tune
Location TBA

*Business meetings
are open to all
members and guests*



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Salina Region Schedule ~ 2018

All at East Crawford Recreation Area unless noted otherwise

<u>Event</u>	<u>Chair</u>	<u>Safety</u>	<u>Youth</u>
March 17 (Test & Tune)	Brian Tefft Jr	Monte Rans	Artt Mann
March 18 (Solo)	Brian Tefft Jr	Monte Rans	
April 13-14-15 (Evolution Schools)	Rocky Entriem	Bill Preheim	
April 14-15 (Twin Solos)	Abner Perney	Dennis Smith	
May 6 (Solo)	Bill Preheim	Dennis Smith	
May 20 (Solo)	Clint Holmes		
Jun 1-2-3 (Divisional Solo)	Brian Tefft Jr	Monte Rans	
Jun 24 (Solo)	Abner Perney	Ken Kennedy	
Jul 15 (Solo)	Powercat Motorsports		
Aug 12 (Solo)	Don & Mike Herrick		
Sep 9 (Solo)	Hank & Sharon Brillhart		
Sep 23 (Solo – RE Challenge #1)	Monte Rans		
Oct 7 (Solo at Yoder – RE Challenge #2)	Wichita Region	—	
Oct 21 (Solo – Octoberfest 29)	Salina Region Board		
Nov 4 (Solo)	Jim Hund		

MiDiv



SPS/R&S MiDiv Solo Series - 2018

Apr 20-22 — Topeka (Heartland Motorsports Park)
May 18-20 — Oklahoma City (Remington Park)
June 1-3 — Salina (East Crawford Rec. Area)
June 22-24 — Neosho, Mo. (Crowder College)
Aug 3-5 — Lincoln, Neb. (Lincoln Airpark)

SCCA 2018 Solo Nationals ~ Sep. 4-7 ~ Lincoln, Neb.

MEETING MINUTES

(Subject to correction and approval at the next Salina Region board meeting)

Salina Region SCCA Feb. 24, 2018 meeting was called to order by R.E. Monte Rans at 16:33 at Brookville Chicken, Abilene KS. Board Members present were Monte Rans, Rocky Entriem, Dennis Smith, Nancy Smith, Bill Preheim, Artt Mann, Clint Holmes, Jim Hund, Abner Perney and Brian Tefft.

Jan. 14, 2018 minutes - Motion to approve by Bill, second by Brian, approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report, Jan 2018 - Motion to approve by Rocky, Second by Bill, approved unanimously.

Old Business -

Youth Stewards – Determined to be Artt Mann, Dennis Smith, and Bill Preheim
MiDiv event at Ft Riley – Monte informed board of a contact he wished to email for further information on planning a MiDiv event at Ft Riley, KS. Motion was made by Dennis for Monte to email the contact and get things started. Motion was seconded by Artt. Passed.

Debit Cards – It was noted for the record that region debit cards are held by RE Monte Rans, Treasurer Ken Kennedy, and Membership Chair Rocky Entriem.

New Business -

Grid Changes – First 5 spots in each row for 2-driver cars, others may be selected by competitors. This will be tested at the next event to see how it goes.

Event Awards – After much deliberation on changing event awards from magnets to coupons, the board came to the conclusion that this is better suited for further discussion at a future meeting.

Next Meeting – March 17, 2018, after Test and Tune.

Meeting Adjourned – 17:05, Motion Dennis, second Bill. Approved unanimously.
Submitted by: Clint Holmes, Secretary



Time to sign up for Evo Schools

Salina Region's annual Evolution Performance Driving Schools are scheduled for April 13-14-15. Registration is open now at www.evoschool.com.

You can take any one school, do two of them or all three, and there's discounts for multiple schools

April 13, Friday, is Phase 1. The basics. If you're new to autocross, this is the fundamentals you need to be quick. If you're experienced, this is all that stuff you either forgot or never quite got good at.

April 14, Saturday, is Phase 2. You've done Phase 1, you've got the pieces, now you work on putting the package together.

April 15, Sunday, is the Challenge School. Take all that stuff from P1 and P2, learn how to apply it to a different context, and be fast on any course. And at the end of the day you go mano a mano with your instructor. He'll push you to beat him.

Your instructors are top caliber autocrossers. Many are national champions. They'll put you through exercises designed to teach you winning autocross technique, and you'll get what seems like a season of solo in a weekend. And that means, don't come on that brand new set of donuts with the stickers still on them. Use up your old tires, even basic street rubber.

It starts with driver's meeting at 8:30 am and runs virtually non-stop to late afternoon. The lunch break is a discussion period (lunch and drinks are provided).

To register go to www.evoschool.com, scroll down the calendar to **EVOLUTION WEEKEND WITH SALINA REGION SCCA**, and click the link. Cost is \$260 for one school, \$500 for two, \$730 for all three.



Heats and Grids for 2018 season

The Salina Region 2018 Solo Season will make use of the same (mostly) 2-heat setup as last year but with a slight variation in our grid plan.

GRIDS – We will continue with two heats as last year for our local events (unless we get an entry of more than 50 cars, which could instigate a 3-heat setup – this change would be announced at driver's meeting). Group A forms up on the east side of the grid and Group B forms up on the west side nearest Markley Road.

The new wrinkle is that we will no longer assign grid places. Park wherever you want, just be on the correct side. The first five slots on each side are reserved for 2-driver cars, the rest are open. Put your car in a grid slot and leave it there all day. If you come with a tow vehicle and trailer, park it in the grass right behind your grid slot. Park it so trailer ramps just barely touch the concrete.

A car with two drivers in the same heat, even if in different classes (one chooses BS, the other STO8, for example) still goes in the 2-driver slots. But if the two drivers are in different heats (FS and FSL, for example), they should take a slot on the first-heat side then move the car to the other side for the second heat. Yes, it's allowed to grab a one of the giant pylons and save the space directly across.

The two groups will alternate heat 1 and heat 2 through the season. Group A runs heat 1 at the first event in March, Group B runs heat 1 at the May event. And so forth.

Wait! What happened to April? That's the Evo School weekend when we run our doubleheader solos at the south end of the East Crawford Rec site. Because of space limitations we'll need to use the old-style grid setup there.

HEATS – These are the run groups for 2018:

Group A

SS-RL
SSL
AS
BS
CSL
DSL
ES
FS
GS
HSL
SSC
STUL
STRL
STX
STS
STHL
STP
STO Ladies Classes
CAM Open Classes
Street Prepared Ladies Classes
Street Modified Ladies Classes
Prepared Open (except CP)
CPL
FM & KM
Ladies Modified (except FML, KML)
Heritage Classic (Open & Ladies)

Group B

SS-R
SS
ASL
BSL
CS
DS
ESL
FSL
GSL
HS
SSCL
STU
STR
STXL
STSL
STH
STPL
STO Open Classes
CAM Ladies Classes
Street Prepared Open Classes
Street Modified Open Classes
Prepared Ladies (except CPL)
CP
FML & KML
Modified Open (except FM, KM)
Junior Karts

Preliminary rules under open review for Time Trials Nationals

TOPEKA, Kan. (Feb. 23, 2018) – In 2018 the Time Trials Nationals joins the ranks of the SCCA National Championship Runoffs, Tire Rack Solo Nationals, DirtFish SCCA RallyCross National Championship and United States Road Rally Challenge.

The event, slated to take place Sept. 28-30 at NCM Motorsports Park in Bowling Green, Ky., opens with a full day of track



lapping sessions for testing and practice which can also be used for participants to earn their TT novice license permit.

A first draft of rules for the new Time Trials Nationals program is now available online for analysis at www.sccahq.com/time-trials-rules. SCCA members and non-members alike now have until March 15 to review the preliminary rules and share thoughts or ideas through the form at www.scca.com/forms/time-trials-feedback.

The interactive TT Nationals rules page provides a general description for each of the four competition levels, search out a detailed rundown of rules for each level, and peruse safety guidelines. Heyward Wagner, SCCA's Director of Marketing and Experiential Programs, said a committee consisting of SCCA members and national staff has been working together to create this first iteration of TT Nationals rules.

"Before writing any of these rules, the Time Trials Board discussed the purpose of the program. While other programs focus on parity, balanced performance and spec competition, it was felt that TT offers an opportunity to focus more on development, progression and performance," Wagner said.

"From this, we arrived at the idea that Time Trials is all **about a quest for speed. So, the rules are designed to allow for more freedom and creativity than one might find in autocross** or road racing. And, while that is important in establishing an identity for TT, it is equally important to create a culture for TT Nationals where participants can first challenge themselves to set a personal best or record, but also create a space for a collective effort to challenge the track."

The TT Nationals rules were constructed to outline modifications and preparations that can be made in each of the four TT Nationals car classes. At one end of the spectrum is the "entry level" where simple modifications can be accomplished using tools purchased at nearly any local hardware store. At the other end of the spectrum is the "anything goes" class where creativity is welcomed and practically any car modification is allowed.

The second day of TT Nationals will open with 20-minute seeding sessions used to determine run groups and orders, followed by a traditional time attack in the afternoon where drivers get one warm-up lap, then have a single lap to post their best time. For the final day of TT Nationals, NCM Motorsports Park will be divided into sections for point-to-point runs. Each competitor will have multiple chances to put down their best time on shortened segments of track.

Working the Road Races

Club racing season is here again! The first race of the season is the Super Tour at Hallett, Okla., Spr. 7-8, followed by a Majors at Heartland Motorsports Park, Topeka, April 21-22. There's another regional-race weekend at Heartland July 21-22 and a Regional at Hallett Sept. 1-2. Other MiDiv races will be held at Iowa Speedway, Newton, Iowa, and Raceway Park of the Midlands south of Omaha, Neb.

It takes a great many people to put on a successful race, making it difficult for one region alone to do so. Along with workers from local regions, wonderful workers from many other SCCA Regions come to help. If you are interested in participating in a club race, there are many different specialties available, such as:

Flagging and Communications (F&C) – Corner workers are certainly among the most visible of workers since they spend their time out on the corners during the event. Their job is to communicate by radio with the officials directing the race, display the necessary flags, and assist drivers having difficulties near their corner station.

Timing and Scoring – As the name implies, this group is responsible for determining a car's time and position during practices and races. Both of these functions are critical to drivers participating in the event. If you prefer to be inside out of the weather, this is an ideal place to work.

Grid and Pits – These workers line the drivers up at the start of a practice or race, check them for the proper safety equipment, and help control the hot pits during the event. Grid workers get the opportunity to interact with all of the drivers, probably more than any other specialty.

Scrutineering (Tech) – Besides issuing tech stickers to cars with annual tech inspections before the cars go on track, tech is responsible for determining if cars conform to the safety rules and the requirements for the individual classes. After the races, the top 3 cars in each class report to tech to be weighed and checked.

Hospitality – Hospitality workers make copies of the grid sheets and results and distribute them to the drivers. After the results are final, they hand out the trophies. And they are there to try to answer questions that the drivers might have, or, at least, to direct them to the right person for an answer.

Registration – At the track, registration workers check licenses and make sure that participants have the correct current credentials. They make sure that anybody without a current annual waiver signs the event waiver and give the drivers and workers the information they need for the event. This specialty is extremely busy for a couple of hours on Friday evening and a couple of hours on Saturday morning.

Working the races earns a member points under the Midwest Division's VROOM program, an incentive program for workers. These points can be redeemed for MiDiv apparel and bank gift cards. This program is explained in full on the MiDiv website, www.midiv.org. Volunteering at the races also reduces the costs of membership. A reduction in membership fees is given for each day worked. This is financed by a surcharge on each entry that is paid by the drivers.

(Lifted from NeOkla Region website)

Salina Region's Award Winners Through The Years

Year	Regional Exec	Driver OTY	Rookie OTY	Newcomer OTY	Most Improved	Worker OTY	Racer OTY
2017	Monte Rans	Joey Green	Brian Hardeman	Sharon & Henry Brillhart	J.D. Baughman	Monte Rans	—
	ALSO, National award: McClintock-Berry Award – Mason Herrick / Divisional awards: Driver of the Year – Joey Green; Scharnberg Spirit of Solo Award – Brian Tefft Jr						
2016	Monte Rans	Abner Perney	J.D. Baughman	Clay Johnson	Randy Puls	Brian Tefft Jr	—
	ALSO, National awards: Dick Berger Perseverance Award – Rocky Entriken; McClintock-Berry Award – Mason Herrick						
2015	Bill Preheim	Monte Rans	James Hund	Daniel Rowland	Rodney Walters	—	—
2014	Bill Preheim	Bill Preheim	Haylee Terrill	Radlee Bien	Srdjan Ortiz	Janner Ortiz	—
2013	Bill Dayton	Mason Herrick	Tim Beach	David Knudsen	—	Artt Mann	—
2012	Bill Dayton	Eric Cunningham	Christopher Mauro	Randy & Karen Eickhoff	Fred Johnson	Bill & Connie Preheim	—
2011	Bill Dayton	Mark Hill	Connie Preheim/Gordon Hanisch	—	Wichita State FSAE	—	Rocky Entriken
2010	Dennis Smith	Bill Dayton	Caitlyn Entriken	—	—	—	—
2009	Dennis Smith	Ann LaRandeau	Dave Matula	—	—	Bill Dayton	—
2008	Dennis Smith	unknown	—	—	—	—	—
2007	Dennis Smith	Abner Perney	Mark Pemberton	—	Nancy Smith\	Bill Dayton	—
2006	Steve Pistora	Bob Lambert	Dan Bergman	Mark Hill	Alan Reed	Barry Stockinger	Teresa Pistora
2005	Steve Pistora	Joe Silva	Anthony Dail	Mark Braun	Bill Preheim	—	—
2004	Steve Pistora	Steve Pistora	Mark Laucks	Chris Lawrie	Kelly Banks	—	Bill Pemberton
2003	Abner Perney	Joe Silva	Jeff Hrenchir	John LaRandeau	Bill Wong	—	Bill Pemberton
2002	Abner Perney	Ann Commerford/Dave Richards	Frank Sendelbach	Mark Charbonneau	Dennis Smith	—	—
2001	Dave Richards	Dave Richards	Steve Pistora	—	—	Sandy Entriken	Rocky Entriken
2000	Dave Richards	Rocky Entriken	James Andrew	—	—	—	—
1999	Dave Richards	Bill Dayton	—	—	Ty Martin	Rocky Entriken	Jarold Boettcher
1998	Dave Richards	none	Bill Dayton	—	—	Dave Richards	Tom Smith
	ALSO: Race Workers - Gary & Linda Spurgeon, Carolee Miner, Don Merriman, Rocky & Sandy Entriken						
1997	Dave Richards	unknown	—	—	—	—	—
1996	Dave Richards	Rob Pickrell	Gary Latham	—	—	Jo Richards	Gary Cook
	ALSO: Race Worker - Carolee Miner						
1995	Dave Richards	Rob Pickrell	Renee Stout-Montoya	—	—	Dave Richards	Rocky Entriken
1994	Rocky Entriken	Barb Pickrell/Dave Richards	Mike Neustrom	—	—	—	—
	ALSO: Race Workers - Rocky & Sandy Entriken, Carolee Miner, Don Merriman						
1993	Jo Richards	Jim French	—	—	—	Dave Richards/Rocky Entriken	—
	ALSO: Race Worker - Carolee Miner						
1992	Jo Richards	Dave Richards/Rob Pickrell	—	—	—	Abner Perney	Gary Cook
	ALSO: Race Worker - Carolee Miner; Novice Race Worker – Roger Coberly						
1991	Carolee Miner	Jo Richards	Adam Perney	—	—	Don Merriman	—
	ALSO: Race Worker - Carolee Miner						
1990	Steve Snyder	Bill Pemberton	Jason Adamson	—	—	Rob Pickrell	—
1989	Abner Perney (Salina Chapter President)	—	—	—	—	—	—
	ALSO: Divisional Award: England-Stipe Award (MiDiv's top honor) – Rocky Entriken						
1988	Bill Pemberton (Salina Chapter President)	—	—	—	—	—	—

Tire Rack becomes title sponsor of Solo's CAM Challenge

TOPEKA, Kan. (Feb. 22, 2018) – The Sports Car Club of America has announced a multi-year agreement with Tire Rack to become the title sponsor of the CAM Challenge Powered By SCCA.

Howard Duncan, SCCA Senior Director of Rally/Solo, said starting in 2018 Tire Rack CAM Challenge will become part of the Tire Rack SCCA National Solo program. Tire Rack's involvement in CAM will further raise the profile of the growing series, which has become one of the largest muscle-car events in the country in just four years.

“We believe this partnership with Tire Rack will further CAM's status in the muscle car community,” Duncan said. “CAM, the acronym for Classic American Muscle, has become synonymous with muscle cars, SCCA and autocrossing. And including Tire Rack CAM Challenge Powered by SCCA in two ProSolo weekends, featuring the ‘drag race’ format, will certainly raise some eyebrows this year.”

Matt Edmonds, Executive Vice President of Tire Rack, said, “Tire Rack is excited to be working with the SCCA to further the muscle-car pro touring movement adding to the

largest group of grassroots motorsports participants in the world.”

This year, the Tire Rack CAM Challenge has four events planned. The first is April 20-22 at Crows Landing, Calif.; followed by a second event June 1-3 Mineral Wells, Texas. The third event will take place Aug. 10-12 at Grissom Aeroplex in Bunker Hill, Ind.; then the series wraps up Sept. 1-2 with the Tire Rack CAM Challenge Invitational at Lincoln Airpark in Lincoln, Neb.

The Tire Rack CAM Challenge Powered by SCCA will continue to have three classes for muscle cars. The CAM-T (Traditional) class is for car and truck body styles originating from 1954-1989 with a minimum weight without driver being 2950 pounds. The CAM-C (Contemporary) class houses car and truck body styles from 1990 and newer, all of which must have a minimum weight without driver of 3250 pounds. The CAM-S (Sport) class is for two-seater cars.

For more information, visit the Tire Rack CAM Challenge Powered by SCCA webpage at www.scca.com/pages/cam-challenge.





Membership Application

Dear Prospective SCCA Member:

To apply for a membership in the Sports Car Club of America, the world's largest motorsport enthusiast organization, please complete the form below and return, with payment, to SCCA Membership Department, P.O. Box 299, Topeka, KS 66601-0299.

Name _____ Birthdate _____
Address _____ Telephone _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
E-mail _____

Spouse Name _____ Birthdate _____
Child's Name _____ Birthdate _____
Child's Name _____ Birthdate _____

Primary Interest:

Please indicate the area of SCCA in which you plan to participate, or interests you the most.

☐ Club Racing ☐ Time Trials/PDX ☐ Rally ☐ Rallycross ☐ Solo ☐ Vintage ☐ Pro Racing

Membership Dues

(*Includes Region dues)

<input type="checkbox"/> First Gear	\$50.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Individual	\$85.00	<input type="checkbox"/> Family	\$105.00
<input type="checkbox"/> 2 Year First Gear	\$90.00	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 Year Individual	\$150.00	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 Year Family	\$185.00
<input type="checkbox"/> 3 Year First Gear	\$125.00	<input type="checkbox"/> 3 Year Individual	\$215.00	<input type="checkbox"/> 3 Year Family	\$265.00

* First Gear applies to members 24 years old and younger

Amount Due

Membership Amount \$ _____
Weekend Membership #1 _____ -\$15.00
Weekend Membership #2 _____ -\$15.00
Referred by SCCA Member _____ # _____ -\$15.00

First/Last Name & Member Number REQUIRED

TOTAL DUE \$ _____

*I want to belong to **Salina (110)** Region (if no region is selected. The default region will be assigned by address). By accepting membership in the SCCA and any SCCA Region, I agree to conduct myself according to the highest standards of behavior and sportsmanship in a manner that shall not be prejudicial to the reputation of the Club or fellow members.*

Applicant's Name (Signature Required) _____

Date (Required) _____

Payment Method:

☐ Check ☐ Credit Card ☐ Money Order

☐ **Auto-Renew with Credit Card** (Credit Card listed below will automatically be charged National and Regional dues prior to membership expiration date.)

Visa, MasterCard or Discover (only) Acct # _____ Exp. _____ CVV# _____

Applications submitted by fax must be accompanied by Visa, MasterCard or Discover account number for payment.

Dues include payment for subscription to SportsCar (\$24 value). Dues are not deductible as charitable contributions

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Military Discount

If you are in active United States Military service, you qualify for a \$35 rebate making your total dues just \$50 (\$70 for family). After joining SCCA and receiving your membership card, then mail, fax or email SCCA Member Services requesting the military rebate. Contact information for Member Services is:

Military Rebate
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* Military deployed to hazardous duty areas are eligible to have SCCA dues waived by contacting SCCA.

The Salina Region Solo Championship ~ 2018

1. Points will be scored at all of Salina Region's Regional Solo events (also referred to as "local" events, including the R.E. Challenge at Yoder). Points also will be scored at the MiDiv Solo Series Divisional in Salina June 2-3 and at the SCCA Solo Nationals in Lincoln, Neb. Sep. 4-7 (*NOTE: for 2018 that is 13 local events, plus a Divisional event and the Nationals, total 15 events.*)

2. Points will be scored for every driver at each Salina Region event on the basis of: 12-9-7-6-5-4-3-2-1 for the top nine drivers. Any driver placing 10th or lower will also receive one point.

3. Points will be compiled at year-end only for Salina Region members. Drivers eligible for the Salina Region Solo Championships must be Salina Region members (Region of Record or Associate) by the end of September. Weekend Membership does **NOT** satisfy this requirement.

4. To encourage participation in a Divisional Championship event conducted by Salina Region (if held) and the SCCA Solo Nationals, those events will score regular points as in Item 2 above, plus competitors will score a bonus of up to 10 points for every car they beat. For example, a driver placing 15th at Nationals (1 point) in a 28-car class will score a total of 11 points; a driver placing 4th (6 points) in a 5-car class will score a total of 7 points.

5. Of the possible 15 events that can be scored in 2017, the best 11 will be counted. A driver must score points in a minimum of four local Salina Region events, which includes the R.E. Challenge event at Yoder, but does not include the Divisional at Salina because it is a bonus event. (*NOTE: the throw-out total is calculated by taking the Nationals, our Divisional when held, plus two Regional events.*)

6. One car makes a class. Cars must be legal for the class entered.

7. A driver may compete only once for points at any event. Second-entry runs (fun runs) will not count for points and will not take positions away. The first class in which a driver competes is the class in which points are scored.

8. A driver competing in more than one class during the year will score points in each class separately.

9. Drivers competing in three or more classes through the year will be considered for the "Wild Car-d" awards. Points scored in Wild Car-d will be those scored in the regular class. Wild Car-d award winners cannot be an award winner in any other class.

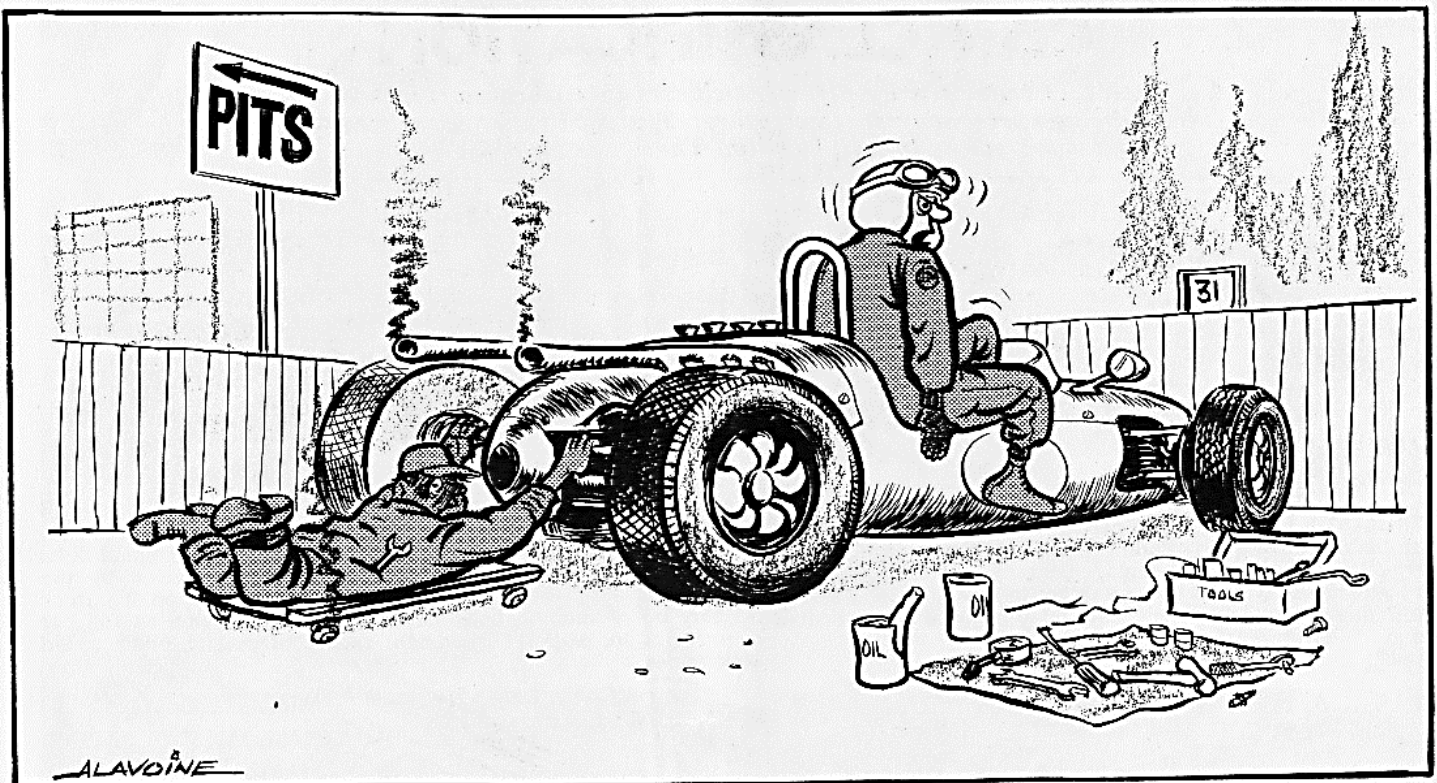
10. Ties for awards will be broken first by going to the driver who scores the most wins; second to the driver who beats the other the most in head-to-head competition. If still tied, it will stand and duplicate awards will be given.

11. Should a driver qualify for championship awards in two or more classes, one award will be given representing the highest placing with all qualified-for classes listed thereon.

"The important skills in skeleton are first of all speed, second more speed, and finally speed."



—Yun Sung-Bin, South Korea, 2018 Winter Olympics gold medalist
(Skeleton has been described as sliding down the bobsled run headfirst on a cafeteria tray)



Where the heck is Harry? I told him to hang on while I did a practice lap!

Events Elsewhere - 2018



A calendar of AutoX and RallyX events by the Wichita, Kansas, Kansas City, Nebraska, NeOkla and Oklahoma Regions of SCCA. Go see how others do it!

ALWAYS CONFIRM THE EVENT BEFORE MAKING A LONG TRIP!

(* = Salina Region event on this date)

AUTOCROSS

- Mar 18.....* NeOkla @ Fair Meadows, Tulsa State Fairgrounds
 Mar 25..... Oklahoma @ Remington Park (T&T Sat.)
 Wichita @ Sunflower Aerodrome, Yoder (Test & Tune)
 Apr 8..... Nebraska @ Lincoln Airpark, Lincoln, Neb.
 Oklahoma @ Remington Park
 Wichita @ Sunflower Aerodrome, Yoder
 Apr 15.....* NeOkla @ Fair Meadows, Tulsa State Fairgrounds
 Apr 29..... Wichita @ Sunflower Aerodrome, Yoder
 May 5-6...* Nebraska @ Lincoln Airpark, Lincoln, Neb.
 May 6.....* NeOkla @ Fair Meadows, Tulsa State Fairgrounds
 Oklahoma @ Remington Park
 May 25-27.. National @ Lincoln Airpark: Spring Nationals (Pro/Tour)
 May 27..... Wichita @ Sunflower Aerodrome, Yoder
 Jun 9-10.... Kansas @ Heartland Park Topeka (double solo)
 Jun 9..... Nebraska @ Lincoln Airpark, Lincoln, Neb. **SOLO TRIALS**
 Jun 10..... Nebraska @ Lincoln Airpark, Lincoln, Neb.
 NeOkla/Oklahoma @ Old Tanger Outlet, Stroud, Okla.
 Jun 17..... Wichita @ Sunflower Aerodrome, Yoder
 Jun 24.....* Nebraska @ Lincoln Airpark, Lincoln, Neb.
 Oklahoma @ Remington Park
 Jul 7-8..... Kansas @ Heartland Park Topeka (double solo)
 Jul 7..... Nebraska @ Lincoln Airpark, Lincoln, Neb. **NEBRASKHANA**
 Jul 8..... Nebraska @ Lincoln Airpark, Lincoln, Neb.
 Oklahoma @ Remington Park
 Wichita @ Sunflower Aerodrome, Yoder
 Jul 15.....* NeOkla @ Old Tanger Outlet, Stroud, Okla.
 Jul 22..... Wichita @ Sunflower Aerodrome, Yoder
 Aug 12.....* NeOkla @ Fair Meadows, Tulsa State Fairgrounds
 Aug 18-19.. Kansas @ Heartland Park Topeka (double solo)
 Aug 19..... Wichita @ Sunflower Aerodrome, Yoder
 Aug 26..... Oklahoma @ Remington Park
 Sep 2..... NeOkla @ Fair Meadows, Tulsa State Fairgrounds
 Sep 9.....* Oklahoma @ Remington Park
 Sep 16..... Wichita @ Sunflower Aerodrome, Yoder
 Sep 23.....* Oklahoma @ Remington Park
 Sep 29-30.. Kansas @ Heartland Park Topeka (double solo)
 Sep 30..... Nebraska @ Lincoln Airpark, Lincoln, Neb.
 NeOkla @ Old Tanger Outlet, Stroud, Okla.
 Oct 7.....* Oklahoma @ Remington Park
 Oct 21.....* Nebraska @ Lincoln Airpark, Lincoln, Neb.
 Oct 28..... Wichita @ Sunflower Aerodrome, Yoder
 Nov 4.....* Nebraska @ Lincoln Airpark, Lincoln, Neb.
 NeOkla @ Fair Meadows, Tulsa State Fairgrounds
 Nov 11..... Wichita @ Sunflower Aerodrome, Yoder

RALLYCROSS

- Feb 25..... Nebraska at I-80 Speedway, Greenwood, Neb.
 Mar 24..... KC @ Thunder Valley Sand Drags, Grain Valley, Mo.
 Mar 25..... Kansas @ Santa Fe Trail Cycle Park, Carbondale, Ks.

- Nebraska at I-80 Speedway, Greenwood, Neb.
 Apr 14.....* KC @ TBA
 Apr 21..... Nebraska at I-80 Speedway, Greenwood, Neb.
 Apr 29..... Kansas @ Santa Fe Trail Cycle Park, Carbondale, Ks.
 May 19-20* KC @ Lucas Oil Spwy, Wheatland, Mo., MiDiv RallyX Chal.
 Jun 17..... Nebraska at I-80 Speedway, Greenwood, Neb.
 Jul 1..... KC/Kansas @ Santa Fe Trail Cycle Park, Carbondale, Ks.
 Jul 15.....* Nebraska at I-80 Speedway, Greenwood, Neb.
 Jul 21-22... KC/Kansas @ Heartland Motorsports Park, Topeka
 Aug 26..... KC @ I-35 Speedway, Winston, Mo.
 Sep 16..... Nebraska at I-80 Speedway, Greenwood, Neb.
 Sep 23..... Kansas @ Santa Fe Trail Cycle Park, Carbondale, Ks.
 Sep 30..... KC @ I-35 Speedway, Winston, Mo.
 Oct 7.....* Nebraska at I-80 Speedway, Greenwood, Neb.
 Oct 12-14... RallyX Nat'ls @ National Balloon Meet Field, Indianola, Iowa
 Nov 3.....* Thunder Valley Sand Drags, Grain Valley, Mo.
 Nov 18..... Nebraska at I-80 Speedway, Greenwood, Neb.
 Dec 1..... KC @ I-35 Speedway, Winston, Mo.

Go

Racing!



Four road course tracks are within a 3½-hour drive of Salina. Be part of the action as a race worker -- flagging on corners, timing, grid, tech, etc. Or driver?

- * Hallett Motor Racing Circuit, Hallett, Okla. • Heartland Motorsports Park Topeka, Ks.
 • Motorsports Park Hastings, Hastings, Neb. • Raceway Park o/t Midlands, Pacific Jct. Iowa

ROAD RACING

- Apr 7-8..... Super Tour @ Hallett Motor Racing Circuit, Okla.
 Apr 21-22..... Majors @ Heartland Motorsports Park, Topeka
 Jul 21-22..... MidAm @ Heartland Motorsports Park, Topeka
 Sep 1-2..... MidAm @ Hallett Motor Racing Circuit, Okla.
 Sep 22-23.....* MidAm @ Raceway Park o/t Midlands, Pacific Jct. Iowa
 Oct 16-21..... The Runoffs @ Sonoma Raceway, Calif.

MIDIV TIME TRIALS SERIES

- Apr 21-22..... @ Heartland Motorsports Park, Topeka
 May 19-20.....* @ Iowa Speedway, Newton, Iowa
 Jul 21-22..... @ Heartland Motorsports Park, Topeka
 Aug 11..... @ Raceway Park o/t Midlands, Pacific Junction. Iowa
 Sep 1-2..... @ Hallett Motor Racing Circuit, Okla.
 Sep 22-23.....* @ Raceway Park o/t Midlands, Pacific Junction. Iowa
 Sep 28-30..... Time Trial Nat'ls @ NCM Mspts Park, Bowling Green, Ky.

TRACK NIGHT IN AMERICA

- Apr 20..... @ Heartland Motorsports Park, Topeka
 May 4..... @ La Junta Raceway, La Junta, Colo
 May 31..... @ Heartland Motorsports Park, Topeka
 Jun 6..... @ High Plains Raceway, Deer Trail, Colo
 Jun 28..... @ Heartland Motorsports Park, Topeka
 Jul 11..... @ High Plains Raceway, Deer Trail, Colo
 Jul 19..... @ Heartland Motorsports Park, Topeka
 Aug 15..... @ High Plains Raceway, Deer Trail, Colo
 Aug 16..... @ Heartland Motorsports Park, Topeka
 Sep 12..... @ High Plains Raceway, Deer Trail, Colo
 Sep 20..... @ Heartland Motorsports Park, Topeka
 Oct 18..... @ Heartland Motorsports Park, Topeka



SO YOU WANT TO TRY AUTOCROSSING? HERE'S HOW

Because SCCA Solo uses rubber traffic cones to build a course on large parking lots or inactive airstrips, the hazards and barriers to entry are low and that makes autocross one of the easiest and least expensive ways to compete in a car. While speeds are generally no greater than those encountered in highway driving, the combination of concentration and precision maneuvering leaves many drivers with their heart racing and hands trembling from adrenaline after a run.

Although there are many ways to go autocross and the effort can be as easy or as intense as you want, the basics are simple.

Do you know someone who thinks they might like to try autocrossing, but isn't sure how to get started, You might show them this article from scca.com



Show up: The next step is to go to an event, check in at registration, sign the waiver. Autocrosses tend to pack a lot into a day so pay close attention to the schedule.

Tip – Autocrosses tend to run in any weather. Bring appropriate clothing and weather gear, closed-toed shoes, and drinks/snacks for the day.

Get your car checked out: The safety inspection, also known as “Tech,” is where one of your fellow autocrossers will double-check your car and make sure it passes all those safety items. They will look under the hood, inside the interior and trunk, check your tires, make sure your suspension is tight, make sure your helmet is

good to go, and see that there aren't any loose pieces on/in your car. Your battery will be checked so be sure it's secured properly (no bungee cords).

Tip – It's best to come to tech with your car empty and when you get there open the hood and trunk for the inspectors. Also, if you don't have numbers you might have to ask for some low-sticky “painters tape” to make numbers and class letters.

Walk the course: Since you will only get a few runs on the course it's important to walk and “plan” how to drive it. You probably want to get there in time to walk the course at least 2-3 times and they usually take 10-15 minutes per walk.

Tip – Ask another member to help you walk through it. Just like asking for help before, you'll probably make a new friend.

Help Out: One of the things that makes autocross less expensive than other forms of motorsports is that competitors are also organizers and helpers. That person who helped you sign the waiver? They're probably driving today. The person who helped you register? Yep, also driving. You get the idea. Actually every competitor is also a worker, most of them taking a turn on course shagging cones.

Tip – Try for a work assignment early in the day when you can watch other competitors before it's your turn to drive.

Drive: This one is kind of self-explanatory. There will probably be an area for “grid” where you park between runs, and grid workers will tell you when to go up to the line to make your run. Have fun, look at your time, repeat.

Tip – Look ahead and relax. Looking ahead helps you see where the course is better, and relaxing enables you to feel what the car is doing better so that you can ultimately get a better time.

So that's it – those are some of the essential facts of what you need to know and how to go autocrossing. From there, SCCA Solo has more levels of driving including a school to make you a better driver, Solo National Tours, a Solo National Championship, and even ProSolo series. There are classes for full-bore race cars, cars right off the showroom floor, and several levels in between.

What you need

Driver's License: Unless you're entering one of the Karting classes, you will need a current driver's license to enter an SCCA Solo event. Bring it with you to show the people working registration you're good to go.

Tip – If you are under 18, you will need both your parents to sign a minor waiver for you.

Vehicle in good working order: Although autocrossing doesn't require the same safety gear that you might see in race cars, you will need to make sure that your car (or kart) is in good shape with no loose/worn suspension parts, your car battery is securely held in place, your tires have no cord or metal showing, your car's brakes and seatbelts are in good shape and it has no big fluid leaks.

Tip – The event's tech inspector will ensure your car is ready.

Helmet: You will need a helmet when you're driving on course, but you can usually use a “loaner” helmet provided by the host region. If you bring your own, it has to meet certain safety standards – more than just “DOT-Approved.” The most common certifications are Snell “M” and “SA” and need to have the number 2005 or higher after the letters. ECE R22.05 certified helmets are also allowed and are common at motorcycle shops.

Tip – The tech inspector will check your helmet too.

How to participate

Find an event: You can find schedules on local websites – salinascca.org, wichitascca.org, ksscca.org, kcrscca.org, etc.

Register: It's best to pre-register, although usually walk-in entries are accepted. Most regions have signup online at motorsportsreg.com, which is also a good source to find nearby events. You'll have to create an account (it's free). Regional events tend to cost \$20 to \$40 to enter.

Tip – SCCA members are a helpful bunch. If you arrive early and tell someone you have never done it, chances are you're going to get walked through the process. You'll probably even make some new friends along the way.

SCCA Membership notes:

The categories of SCCA membership are somewhat confusing. In order to be eligible for all the programs of SCCA you need to be a National member, which includes a "local" region of your choice. This becomes your Region of Record.

Normally your RoR is the area in which you live, but it doesn't have to be. We have members who live in other Regions' territories, and some of those regions have members who live in our territory.

You may also join as many other regions as you like, paying their local dues for the purpose of winning local championship points, receiving newsletters and participating in their programs. These are "Associate" memberships. Salina Region's Associate Members are eligible for all our championships, voting rights, region offices and other member benefits.

The final option is to simply pay local region dues, in which case you are merely a newsletter subscriber, and not eligible for Regional awards, Divisional points or to compete in major SCCA events.

If you live in Manhattan, Ft. Riley or Junction City and have enjoyed competing in or attending our events, we'd love to have you become a member of our happy little club. If you should choose to join SCCA in our Region, be sure to use the membership form found in a Write Line or be sure to indicate "SALINA REGION" in the space above the signature. Geographically, Riley and Geary counties are in territory of our Kansas Region neighbors and SCCA will put you there if not told otherwise. Of course, once an SCCA member, you're welcome at any region's events. You'll find a listing of our neighboring regions' events in the "Events Elsewhere" calendar inside.

**Associate memberships are due now for the year 2018 • • •**

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You must be a member to enter SCCA events. There are several different types of membership available, including Regular, Family, First Gear (under 25) and Military, plus short-term Weekend Memberships (we charge \$10). Find more information at www.salinasccla.org, www.scca.com, or call Salina Region membership chair Rocky Entriken at 785-827-5143 or e-mail rocky@spitfire4.com.



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