

HOW THE OTHER SIDE DOES IT PREVIEW

by Sandy Cole

YOU'RE INVITED...

MARK YOUR CALENDAR. Keep July 10-12, 1998 open so you can participate in Detroit Region's 3rd Annual "How the Other Side Does It". Now, if you haven't attend the 1st or 2nd HTOSDI, you're probably asking what's a "How the Other Side Does It".

This is a fun weekend for Detroit Region members at the Waterford Hills Road Race Course in Clarkston Michigan. There is a rally on Friday night. There's road racing (including a pursuit race) and solo on Saturday and Sunday. There'll be games and fun competition for the kids (real kids not the adult version that will be playing in the other events). Saturday evening we'll have a dinner and all weekend we hope to celebrate Detroit Region's 50th Birthday!

Why "How the Other Side Does It"? Because this is your opportunity to see all the different sides of our organization and

experience them first hand, in one place, on one weekend. You don't have to compete. You can try one of the worker specialties instead. You don't have to work. You can come out and just observe or join us for dinner. But do come out and join the fun.

Invitations (competitors read entry form) will be mailed to Detroit Region households later in May. Competitors, Workers, Kids, everyone planning to attend is asked to send in their entry form.

Come join us. Come experience "How the Other Side Does It".

RACE - RALLY-SOLO WORKERS

SAVE THE DATE

July 10-12

HOW THE OTHER SIDE DOES IT
BIRTHDAY PARTY - WATERFORD HILLS

EARN WORKER POINTS QUICKLY!

3 points per day are awarded to those who work **Special Events**. If you are available to help at a weekday event, or would be willing to take a day off to do so, please call either:

Pattie Klimchuk 810-445-2968

or

Suzanne Royce 248-394-0339

SOLO

by Mike McClintock

It's that time of year again when I scapple to find the time to get my solo car running, my motor home out of storage, a spring vacation with the family and an article into the Open Exhaust for the third annual How the Other Side Does It Rally, Race, Solo event.

Many of you I am sure have found the weather more than cooperative in getting your car ready for the season. With wiring problems still plaguing my car from last year and the baby now able to crawl I am finding it hard to keep up. I know one thing I will have a car for this event that will be held July 11th & 12th. I encourage all soloist to take note. It is not often that you can solo on a race

course like Waterford Hills. Space is limited to the first 80 solo entrants.

This event offers the opportunity to take part in a Rally on the 10th. On the 11th, in the morning you are encouraged to come out and learn to work along with licensed F&C workers. You know, the ones that make it possible for the racers to go out and play bumper tag trying to see who can get around that track the fastest without hitting one another or skidding off the track into a wall or tire barrier.

Please be reminded it is the worker that

allows the car on the track, from the technical inspection to the paddock check from the starter to the corner worker. It takes a team of people to make sure that the racer has the opportunity to play his or her game with safety in mind. So come out and see what that Side is all about. After that you can go out with your car on a solo course carved out of that very same track. This is your opportunity as a Detroit Region member to see what ALL of the SCCA is about.

Look for the entry forms in the mail, all Detroit members will receive one. Im sure I will have my car running by then but if not a new solo class is in order (ie) lets try Class A 30ft. or better. See you there.

RALLY

ROAD RALLY

by Scott Harvey

The rally portion of the Waterford Hills weekend will be a very short and simple example of a road rally. The idea of a road rally, is to remain "on time" at all times. This Rally has been designed for the beginner or for ones who have never even run a rally (Novice class). All paved roads will be used for the rally route. Mileage's will be given at every instruction. No attempt will be made to fool the competitors or lead them off course.

There are many forms of rally. There are PRO Rallies, which are real races, over closed roads, in real race cars. There also endurance and brisk TSD (time, speed, distance) rallies. *This rally* is designed to allow for an enjoyable drive in the country, with the option to try to remain on time.

An easy to follow route has been laid out for an enjoyable tour of some of the more interesting, paved, roads in the area of the Waterford Hills race track. Competitors should always let safety be the rule, as the trophies are not worth dangerous or hazardous behavior. The rally will use public roads and average speeds for the rally will

be at or below the posted limit for that road. Time will be given (in the form of pauses) for the competitors to stop at each stop sign or traffic light and proceed in a safe manner once clear of the intersection.

This rally is an over-simplified and shorter version of a typical TSD (time, speed, distance) rally as presented by the Detroit Region SCCA. It is intended to give those who have never run a rally, a chance to give it a try. It has been geared toward the novice, with emphasis on learning the basics of course following and calculating the proper time to execute a given instruction (exact time that the vehicle should leave a specific location, usually an intersection).

The organizers have tried to provide written material about road rallying, in a stage by stage manner. The first page will be simple, the next pages will provide more and more detail. Finally, the last page(s) will provide the math and example calcu-

lations. If you are interested, collect the written material as it becomes available and study as much as you feel you should.

The rally team - a driver and a navigator - should decide how serious they wish to take the rally, and hence how hard they want to work at doing well. The team can try just to follow the route and take their chances on their score. Or, with a bit of calculation the correct time to leave a specific instruction can be figured. The rally is scored by the time that the rally vehicle reaches each "check point". For every 1/100 of a minute that the rally team arrives either early or late, from their ideal time, a one point penalty is assessed. The scores from all the check points are added-up to determine a team's score. The lowest accumulated (penalty) points the better. (Like golf, only not so boring).

The organizers, Scott Harvey and Jim Mickle will try to provide as much personal instruction as possible. Other experienced rallyists should be on hand to help as well. If you are not sure of something, all you need to do is ask.



SCCA Central Division

1998

Solo II Divisional Championship

August 8 & 9, 1998

Grissom Air National Guard Base • Peru, IN
(60 miles North of Indianapolis, IN)

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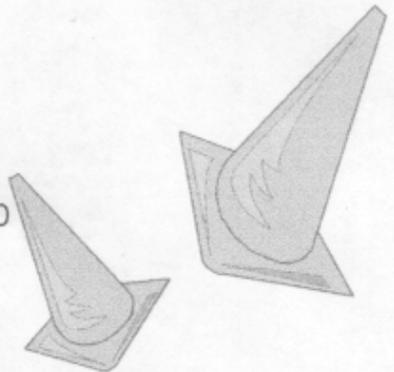
Exceptional Concrete Site! ● National Caliber Course!
Awesome Trophies & T-Shirts by Riffle! ● Saturday Night Party!

Featuring: Lloyd Loring 'The Voice of Solo II'

HOTEL INFORMATION

Knights Inn \$45 - 3 miles from site - Peru, IN 765-472-3971
Shelton Inn \$40-\$46 - 5 miles from site - Peru, IN 765-472-1925
Yogi Bear Camping \$18 - 12 miles from site - Peru, IN 765-472-4342
Best Western (new) - Peru, IN 765-473-8800
Econo Lodge \$42-\$47 - 15 miles from site - Kokomo, IN 765-457-7561
Miles Signature Inn \$73 - 15 miles from site - Kokomo, IN 765-455-1000
Motel 6 \$38-\$50 - 15 miles from site - Kokomo, IN 765-457-8211

*Please Note: This is a active Air National Guard Base, no overnight
camping is permitted.*



For more information or questions: Debbie Fessler 419-882-1089 or Marlene Obenour 219-637-2009

OFFICIAL SCCA Central Division Solo II Divisional Championship Entry Form

August 8 & 9, 1998 ● Grissom ANG Base ● Peru, IN

(Please use one entry form per driver)

DRIVER INFORMATION

Name _____ Occupation _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: Hm (_____) _____ Wk (_____) _____

SCCA Member No _____ Exp _____ Social Security No. _____

Driver's License No. _____ State _____ Exp _____ SCCA Division _____ Region _____

Emergency Contact: Is this person at event site? YES NO Relationship _____

Name _____ Phone: Hm (_____) _____ Wk (_____) _____

PRODUCT INFORMATION

Year _____ Make _____ Model _____ Color _____

Brand of Tires _____ Size _____ Wheels _____

Mufflers _____ Shocks _____ Spark Plugs _____

Oil _____ Other _____

Sponsors/Team Name _____

DRIVER BIOGRAPHY

Finishes You Are Proud Of: _____

Worker assignments will be on a first-come first-served basis. If you have a specialty you would like to work, please indicate below.

Registration Tech Grid Timing & Scoring Course Impound Safety (license required)

Please read and sign: I agree to compete under the current SCCA Solo II rules, and the supplementary rules pertaining to this event. I am a Member in good standing of the Sports Car Club of America, Inc. I agree to permit the SCCA, the promoter/organizer of the event and their assigns, the use of my name, voice, and/or likeness for news, publicity and features use in ANY AND ALL MEDIA FORMATS in connection with advertising and for purposes of trade. I will always have fun!

Driver's Signature _____ Date _____

ENTRY FEES

Driver - \$40 (includes Saturday Night Dinner & Party) _____

\$10 - Extra Tickets for Saturday Night Dinner & Party _____

\$7.50 - Tickets for Dinner & Party (kids 12 and under) _____

Late Fee - \$10.00 postmarked after July 31, 1998 _____

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

**Mail Completed Entry Form
with Check or Money Order to:**
(Make Check or MO out to: FWR-SCCA)

**Robert & Elaine Christmas
CenDiv Divisional Registrars
75B Naugatuck Way
Waterville, Ohio 43566
419-878-2342**

DYNO DAY REPORT

by Mike Pickett

The first Detroit SCCA Dyno Day on April 4 provided 10 members a chance to improve their Solo, Rally, Race, and street cars' performance on the chassis dynamometer at PowerCurve in Fraser. In addition, some participants got annual inspections for their vehicles.

I would like to thank the members who participated, and PowerCurve for their terrific service at a special price. In addition, I would like to acknowledge the contributions of our Technical Inspection crew, Bob Martin, Ed Maklenburg, Larry Jacobsen, and Chuck Rutter, who donated their time to help make the event a success for everybody.

More Dyno Days may be scheduled in the future if there is sufficient demand. Please let me know if you are interested.



Solo racers confer while Matthew Braun's Corvette is tested.

-PHOTO BY NATHAN DRUMMOND



Colin Botha hard at work swapping camshafts in his 1986 Honda CRX before his 2nd dyno run.

-PHOTO BY NATHAN DRUMMOND



Technical Inspection team, Bob Martin, Larry Jacobsen, and Chuck Rutter, perform annual inspection on Brian Kelm's (left) 97 T2 Mustang Cobra.

-PHOTO BY NATHAN DRUMMOND

WANTED FILMS AND MORE!



The Anniversary Committee is looking for a few good films—the older the better! Actually, we are even willing to take a look at quite a number of not-so-good ones. The one catch is that they must have something to do with motorsports, and preferably have some connection with Detroit Region.

The “and more” could refer to slides, photographs, and information which could be included in articles on the history of the Region.

The “!” could refer to **you** if you have any experience with putting together AV presentations.

Please do not put off this request or the anniversary year will be history, along with all of your memories. For further information please contact the Anniversary Chairman, Suzanne Royce at (248)394-0339.

TENTATIVE 1998 SCHEDULES

RACE SCHEDULE - DRIVER'S SCHOOLS

Date	Region	Location
Apr 4-5	Indianapolis	Indianapolis Raceway Park
Apr 18-19	Detroit (see pg. 2)	Waterford
Apr 25-26	Chicago/ Blackhawk Valley	Blackhawk Farms
May 16-17	North East Ohio	Nelson Ledges
May 23-25	Land O'Lakes	Brainerd Int't Raceway
May 30-31	Milwaukee	Road America

RACE SCHEDULE - NATIONALS

Date	Region	Location
April 25-26	Indiana Northwest	GingerMan
May 2-3	Blackhawk Valley	Blackhawk Farms
May 16-17	Milwaukee	Blackhawk Farms
May 30-31	Ohio Valley	Mid Ohio
June 19-21	North East Ohio	Nelson Ledges
June 27-28	Chicago	Road America
July 11-12	Indianapolis	Indianapolis Raceway Park
July 25-26	Milwaukee	Road America
Aug 8-9	Detroit/Western Michigan	Grattan
Aug 22-23	North East Ohio	Mid Ohio
Sept 5-7	Land O'Lakes	Brainerd Int't Raceway
Oct 5-11	Runoffs	Mid Ohio

RACE SCHEDULE - REGIONALS

Date	Region	Location
April 4-5	Indianapolis	Indianapolis Raceway Park
April 25-26	Chicago/ Blackhawk Valley	Blackhawk Farms
May 9-10	Chicago/ Blackhawk Valley	Gingerman (Double Regional - Champ)
May 23-25	Land O'Lakes	Brainerd Int't Raceway (Double Regional - Champ)
	Western Michigan	Grattan (Double Regional - Champ)
May 30-31	Milwaukee	Road America
June 6-7	Milwaukee	Blackhawk Farms (Double Regional - Champ)
June 13-14	Indianapolis	Indianapolis Raceway Park (Double Regional - Champ)
July 3-5	Cincinnati	Mid Ohio (Double Regional - Champ)
	Blackhawk Valley	Blackhawk Farms (Double Regional - Champ)
July 11-12	Detroit	Waterford Hills (Restricted Regional)
July 25-26	Milwaukee	Road America (Restricted Regional)
	Fort Wayne	Mid Ohio (Double Regional - Champ)
Aug 1-2	North East Ohio	Nelson Ledges (Double Regional - Champ)
	South Bend Region	GingerMan (Double Regional - Champ)
Aug 29-30	Chicago	Road America (Double Regional - Champ)
Sept 5-7	Western Michigan/ Lake Superior	Grattan (Double Regional - Champ)
	Land O'Lakes	Brainerd Int't Raceway (Champ)
Sept 12-13	Ohio Valley	Mid Ohio (Double Regional - Champ)

RACE SCHEDULE - PRO EVENTS

Date	Series	Location
May 16-17	Vintage	Road America
May 30-31	CART	Milwaukee
June 6-7	CART	Detroit
June 13-14	AMA	Road America
July 11-12	CART	Cleveland
July 18-19	Vintage	Road America
Aug 8-9	CART	Mid Ohio
Aug 15-16	CART Vintage	Road America Grattan
Sept 19-20	VSCDA	Road America
Oct 3-4	VSCDA	Indianapolis Raceway Park