

# CHECKPOINT

Kansas City Region SCCA

November Newsletter

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#### RE Comments



On behalf of the KC Region Officers and myself, I'd like to thank everyone for their participation in our events in 2021. We will have even more events in 2022 as we round the corner from the 2020 Covid issues. We just had our December 7th General Meeting which was also our Annual Meeting and the close of the Board and Advisory Committees elections. Check out the result of those elections on page 3.

We have big news to announce! If you haven't heard yet, our very own Charlie Clark has been inducted into the 2022 SCCA Hall of Fame Class. He is one of five members chosen in 2022 for this honor. Most of the Road Racers and Autocrossers have known Charlie for years, but just in case you

haven't, here is the bio the SCCA posted in their press release:

#### **Charlie Clark**

In his nearly 50 years as an SCCA member, Charlie Clark has been a road racer, autocrosser, event organizer, mentor, and a leader. As a road racer, Clark has participated in more than 30 SCCA National Championship Runoffs, and as a Solo competitor has never missed a Solo National Championship event. He is a four-time Solo National Champion, the 1986 Solo Driver of the Year, 1985 Solo Cup recipient, a four-time National Champion of the former Solo I program, the 2013 John McGill Award winner, and a winner of the Dick Berger Perseverance Award. The "Clark" in the Johnson-Clark-Johnson Cup, presented to the season-long ProSolo Super Challenge Points Champion each year, is Charlie Clark—a founder of the ProSolo program. Clark served four terms on the SCCA Board of Directors, was a Solo Nationals event chair, and served on the Club Racing Board. No matter the discipline, Clark is a well-known and well-respected member of the SCCA.

Congratulations Charlie—you deserve it!

Mike McGinley, RE

### **2022 Region Officer Candidates**

The 2022 Region Officer Elections came to a close at the Annual Meeting, December 7th. Thank you to the following members who have volunteered to serve the Kansas City Region:

#### **Board Positions:**

Region Executive—Bill Johnson Assistant Region Executive—Paula Diehl Secretary—Ed Nicholson Treasurer—Jessica Dorn Board Director—Al Hermans Board Director—Greg Cheney Board Director—Bob Henson

Solo Advisory Committee:

Phillip Merideth Greg Cheney TBA (there was a tie between write-in nominees)

RallyCross Advisory Committee:

Erik Votipka Deana Brown Tiernan Einberger



# **General Meeting & Go Kart Racing: WEDNESDAY, January 5th**

Join us for our 3rd Go Kart Racing Tournament. There will be a brief monthly General Meeting at 7:30 pm with racing to follow. Follow the button to register below and let us know you plan on attending, but all payments will be made at Extreme Grand Prix the day of the event.

\*\*\*Due to Extreme Grand Prix being closed Tuesdays, our General Meeting has been moved to the following WEDNESDAY, January 5th\*\*\*

Racing helmets are available, or you can also bring your own full-face helmet if you would like.

Pricing will depend on how many racers we have. Group rates are as follows (prices per racers):

	1 RACE	2 RACES	3 RACES
8-15 Racers	\$17.95	\$30.95	\$44.95
16+ Racers	\$16.95	\$28.95	\$42.95

Online registration closes on January 3, 2022.





# 2021 KCRSCCA Awards Banquet February 5, 2022

2021 was a blast...both on the track and off. Join us as we celebrate the Kansas City Region 2021 Award Winners.

The Awards Banquet is \$30 per person and includes a buffet style dinner. There is also a cash bar. Please register for the event and pay online to help us streamline the check-in process. Payment will also be accepted at the banquet.

The Club will be hosting a silent auction where all proceeds go to Variety KC—Go Baby Go. Please let Jessica Dorn know if you have items you would like to donate.

The Club is also looking for someone to put together a slide show of pictures shared on social media throughout the year.



Cocktails: 5:00-6:30pm Dinner: 6:30-7:30pm Awards 7:30-9:30pm

Online Registration closes January 24, 2022.





# Club Picnic / Halloweenie / Silent Auction Recap

by Jessica Dorn

A chance of rain may have kept some members home, but it did not deter others from

attending the Club Picnic / Halloweenie / Silent Auction on October 24, 2021. Good food was shared by all, as the Club provided hot dogs and hamburgers (grilled by our very own Chris Kern) and Club members provided delicious side dishes and desserts.

Cash prizes were given out for the Best Adult Costume and the Best Car Costume:

Ryan Ochs took home \$50 cash for best adult costume dressed as the Phantom of the Opera. Competition was tight, but his short song from the show sealed his victory!





Bob and Janet Bauman took home \$50 cash for their Batmobile (aka Bat-Miata).





Thanks to all who donated to the silent auction and bid on the items, the silent auction raised \$380 for Variety KC—Go Baby Go.

P.S. Did anyone guess what the secret ingredient was in Mark Hill's corn bread? Whatever it was...only crumbs were left by the time we packed up!



#### For the Glory! - Johnson Spirit of the Sport

by Jessica Dorn

The Johnson Spirit of the Sport was awarded at the 2021 Tire Rack SCCA Solo Nationals to a group of racers that share a special bond. Maybe it is their passion open -wheeled single seaters...maybe it is their passion for all things loud...but this group of Solo racers has come together as a pseudo-family over that past years. They are at the ready with a wrench...or sometimes a whole engine in times of need. They are there to cheer each other on to victory and put their minds together to figure out what will make them go faster.

The 2021 Johnson Spirit of the Sport Award was bestowed upon the For the Glory Team / F Mod Family. They highlighted KCR members Brad Smith and Dan Wheeler (Brad is pictured along with Jeff Blumenthal of the Neohio Region).



CONGRATULATIONS!



December 28

7:00 pm

January 5

7:30 pm

The Bar 6101 Johnson Dr Mission, KS

Extreme Grand Prix

Raytown, MO

6101 Johnson Dr

The Bar

Mission, KS

6731 Blue Ridge Blvd

**UPCOMING EVENTS** 

General Meeting & Go Kart Racing

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**Board Meeting** 

**Board Meeting** 

January 25 7:00 pm

February 1 Solo Advisory Council Meeting 6:00 pm General Membership Meeting 7:30 pm

KCR 2021 Awards Banquet

February 5

Midwest Division Convention February 18-20

The Bar 6101 Johnson Dr Mission, KS

Deer Creek Golf Club 7000 W 133rd St Overland Park, KS

Hilton Garden Inn 19677 E Jackson Dr Independence, MO

## **Kansas City Region SCCA**

## **Driven by Volunteers since 1952**

Kansas City Region SCCA is proud to be a volunteer-run organization. We already know you are talented in at least one of these categories:

- racing cars
- working corners at race tracks
- breaking cars (on and off the track)
- fixing the same car over and over again
- cheering on racers
- enjoying a cold beverage with other people who like cars

But what are your other talents? We are currently looking for assistance in the following areas:



#### Content Creator for website and social media

You will not need to know anything about websites. You will simply need to prepare content for the website and check to see if any updates need to be made to our calendar. You will be the Region's point of contact in case issues are found with links on the website. You do not need to know how fix it, simply be the person who contacts our website maintenance

provider. You will also need to know how to post and create events on Facebook. Contact Mike McGinley if you have additional questions or would like to help!



#### **Pavement Photographers**

We need your assistance to get current photos and videos of Solo and Road Race events for our website and social media accounts. Contact Reuben Samuels if you have additional questions or would like to help!

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