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## REckoning

By Jon Rush, RE

I'd like to continue setting an agenda for the region with this column. To reiterate from January's article, My goal is that the Philadelphia Region be the best, safest and most fun region of its size anywhere in the nation. One thing that I neglected to mention was that I want to promote the ideals of teamwork within the region. Where we once formed a committee, let's form a team. It may sound like playing with semantics, but the concept of team will help us visualize our tasks. To use the metaphor of a professional football team, everyone playing on the team is there for a specific skill. Some skills, such as the quarterback, kicker or running back, are used more than others, but no one is there without a purpose. When the time is right, their skills are used.

I'd like us to form our teams the same way. Everyone is on the team for purpose. No one is there to fill out a roster, but to contribute their skills at the right time. Some folks on the team will carry a heavier burden. One place where the analogy breaks down from football, our teams don't necessarily need a single coach. The team can be a team of equals, or the team leadership can pass from member to member or from phase to phase.

An example would be our region truck replacement team. The team was formed without an identified chair and the effort has been pushed forward by various members at various times. The team consists

of some folks who are doing heavy research and shopping and some other people who were brought on because of specific experience related to trucks. Where no one on the team had specific experience, we consulted with those outside the team who did. Our truck purchase specification has been refined by the shopping process. By finding what we don't like, we feel confident that we will be able purchase a truck that is satisfactory to our region efforts for the foreseeable future.

We are forming a Web technology team for the region right now. If you would like to be involved on this new and exciting team, contact me or our new Web chair, Ted Rudolph at [ted@tedrudolph.com](mailto:ted@tedrudolph.com). You may have lots of web experience or only know narrow knowledge, either way, you will be welcomed on the team and we will find a way to use you. One outstanding need we still have is for someone with Graphic Design experience that can help us evaluate the appearance of our web technology.

I will have attended my first National Convention by the time you read this. My hope is I return brimming full of great ideas to make the region better. More in the March Spokesman

Don't forget to sign up for our annual awards banquet, Saturday, March 5, 2005 at the Doylestown Country Club. [The signup form is on page 10.](#)

## Meeting Notice

The February BOD Meeting will take place at Romano's Macaroni Grill in Plymouth Meeting on Monday, February 7 at 7:00. The General Membership meeting will be Wednesday, February 9 at 8:00 at PJ Whelihan's in Blue Bell. The March meetings are planned for the same locations, with the BOD on March 7 and the General membership meeting on March 9.

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## BOD Meeting (2005)

January 2, 2005

### Location:

Home of Jon Rush, Coopersburg, PA 18036  
Attendance: BOD: Jon Rush, Ken Buck, Judy Bloeser, Steven Rosenberg, Joe Aquilante, George Bloeser. Others: Rich Sweigart

The minutes were approved as printed in the Spokesman.

### Announcement:

**Joe Aquilante** has been named to the SCCA Competition Board.

### RE Report – Jon Rush

The sign-ups for the January 12 meeting/competition at Arnold's are going well. About 30 were pre-registered.

Jon thanked the members of the Board for the cooperation he received during December as the transition of BODs was occurring and looked for the BOD to move forward in a unified manner.

The RE outlined his expectations for 2005 under the headings of: fun, teamwork, viral marketing, engagement, improved communication, and Tri-Region improvements. During his first three months in the RE role, Jon expects to lay out his agenda for the Region, the first step of which was his "REckoning" article in the January Spokesman in which he outlined his major goals: "that the Philadelphia Region be the best, safest, most fun region of its size anywhere in the nation, . . . that each program we do as a region is done to the best of our thoughts and abilities, . . . that we do a better job of marketing ourselves to the local car enthusiast." Jon made a pledge: "I am also committing myself to transparency and openness in the governance of the region." His points were discussed and agreed to by the BOD.

He spoke about the new process of written Committee Reports to be received by the BOD prior to the BOD meeting as a means of efficiently communicating and allowing consideration of the information by the BOD prior to any decisions being made. He asked for help in establishing the RE's calendar.

### Assistant RE Report – Ken Buck

The truck has been registered and insured.

### Secretary's Report – Judy Bloeser

When the Spokesman is mailed to members, it is copied in black and white and limited to six double-sided sheets so it can be mailed for a single stamp.

### Treasurer's Report – Steven Rosenberg

With income of \$966.00 and expenses of \$5886.73 (including purchase of two new computers, lot rental and deposits for Solo II Winter Series events, and truck insurance), the balance in the Region accounts at the end of the 2004 was \$31,477.18. The Treasurer suggested that an effort be made to educate Chairmen and members about "Work Perks" so the accounting can be done correctly.

### Club Racing – George Bloeser

The Tri-Region contract for two events at Pocono Raceway in 2005 is only for one year. The High Performance Car Control Clinic, scheduled for June 17 & 18, will be administered under the new rules being developed by the National Club Racing Department. The revised rules are anticipated to be acted upon by the National BOD in January 2005.

The issue of whether Tri-Region will be able to hold a Double National in 2005 seems close to a positive resolution. NNJ has agreed that both their Regional event at Lime Rock and Tri-Region's Double National can successfully be held the same weekend without either group falling short of equipment or personnel.

Questions about the solvency of Tri-Region were answered. Basically, Tri-Region is solid as long as it does not host money-losing events. Over the past few years many factors have resulted in losses on some events. The HPCCC is being planned to be a slightly better than break-even event, and the Double National should be profitable. If Tri-Region Race Group were ever to have insufficient funds to finance an event (including a lot of up front money), the three Regions would either be asked to contribute funds to make it viable, or if it were decided to dissolve Tri-Region, the remaining funds would be divided equally among the three regions.

The next Tri-Region meeting will be held January 11.

According to the organizers, the Camden Vintage Grand Prix will take place May 6-8. It does not seem at this time that they have a defined track laid out and approved by their sanctioning body, nor that details have been ironed out as to the scope of the event. Many peripherals are being developed, but the central event needs to be organized to make it a successful event. **George and Judy Bloeser** will be attending the January 5 meeting and will ask Sue King (SJR) to join them so that the primary responsibility for supporting the event with course workers will transition to South Jersey with continued support and involvement from Philadelphia Region.

### Marketing and Publicity

Jon Rush announced that **Joe McCormick** will be chairing this area. He will be needing help with press releases about events for broad distribution. He will also entertain quick and easy ideas such as having business cards with a list of dates.

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### Merchandise – John Groves

The merchandise pages have been pulled from the website due to the cost of posting this material. Other means of presenting merchandise for sale to the members are being considered.

### Membership – Robin Lumb

The “opt-in” rate for the Spokesman among new members is low. New members receive an email from YahooGroups about joining the group to receive the Spokesman. Robin also sends a welcoming letter to all new members. It was suggested that Robin send an issue of the Spokesman and information about receiving it and using the website, PhAX, and forums. Discussion on possible communication with the whole membership ensued. Ideas were generated, such as having two large “magazine” format issues of Spokesman annually, surveying members to learn what their interests are, producing “To Do” list sticky memos with Region info, and sending out postcards. These and other ideas will be further considered.

### Rallycross – Jon Rush

Some leads are still active, but nothing has yet materialized. **George** will be setting up a meeting with Grandview Speedway early this month.

### Rally – Wendel Green

Chester Twister started 21 cars and there were 5 DNF's, 2 with mechanical failures, 2 got hopelessly lost and 1 medical (carsick navigator). Our new pneumatic triggers worked great. The scoring problems were traced to a bug in the scoring program, and I wrote a revised version which is being tested by **Marc Getty**. If Marc finds no errors I will get it tested again by another experienced rally competitor so that it will be solid by Rally in the Dark.

Our 4 Alfa clocks have been sent for refurbishing/recalibration. Two of them had warped face plates and two were running slow (lost 4/100s in 6hours.)

The 2005 Mid-Atlantic Rally Championship rules are being reviewed by the RallyMasters involved in the series and should be ready to post by the first of the year. There has been much discussion about worker points and how to count them in the championship standing.

There is \$270.00 in sponsor money for year-end trophies, but that is not enough. **Wendel** will add \$1.00 per car for the series next year to solve this problem He requested the remaining budget to fund the trophies for this year and he was informed he had \$670 left.

### Solo I – Rich Sweigart

The 2005 PHA schedule is out:

May	28-29	Spring Jefferson - Summit Point, WV
Jun	11-12	Spring Weatherly - Weatherly, PA
Jun	25-26	Pagoda - Reading, PA
Jul.	9-10	Giant's Despair - Laurel Run, PA
Jul	23-24	Rose Valley - Trout Run, PA
Aug	20-21	Duryea - Reading, PA
Sep	3-4	Fall Jefferson - Summit Point, WV
Sep	17-18	Fall Weatherly - Weatherly, PA

A letter of intent to join PHA for 2005 will be sent by the RE to the Chairman of PHA, designating **Chuck Christ**, **Connie Sweigart**, and **Rich Sweigart** as Philadelphia Region representatives.

### Solo II – Ken Buck

There is a new Series Sponsor - OTTO'S MINI. There will also be new trophy sponsors. The Driver of the Year Sponsor will be CSE. This sponsorship will include a PAX event trophy for each points event, as well as a large end-of-year trophy.

There will be four Winter Series events on 1/8, 1/22, 2/5, and 3/19. The old glassware will be used as trophies for these events so we can start fresh for the 2005 Philadelphia Region OTTO'S MINI Solo II Summer Series.

Regarding the schedule, the 2005 summer series dates have not been completely set, but look for 13 points events, a Novice school, and three Test and Tune events starting the first weekend in April. Presently the EVO school plans have not been finalized due to a potential conflict of dates and site usage with WDC Region.

A split-day format will be used for the 2005 Philadelphia Region OTTO'S MINI Summer Series which will provide more flexibility to our members and guests. The Summer Series Supplemental Rules have been reviewed, rewritten, and re-posted to the web site.

Two Dell laptops have been purchased to use for registration, T&S, and other region events.

We are getting close to a decision on a new truck, following two solid leads on Snap-On trucks, one a diesel 6.8L, and the other a 427 gas. Both are 1988 models with similar features, mileage, and cost. We are waiting to hear from region sponsor **Cotner Trailers** for a price on a vendor door for truck modification. They have generously offered to install the door in exchange for an ad on the Solo II trophies and on the side of the new truck. [www.cotnertrailers.com](http://www.cotnertrailers.com). We also need to get a price to add a hitch and electric brake assembly while hoping for member labor. Discussion followed on possible sources for determining the quality of the trucks. Details of the costs for purchasing and modifying the truck will be presented at the next BOD meeting.

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### Spokesman / Website / Forums

It was decided to continue with classified ads in the Spokesman at this time, although use of the forums might be best for the future.

Jon Rush will develop a fee schedule for advertising in the Spokesman monthly or "big" issues, the website, new member letters, the truck, and any other use of advertising.

Each issue will include a rolling three-month calendar of Philadelphia Region activities.

Payment of \$15 / hour will be paid for editing the Spokesman. No payment will be made for the copying and mailing of the issues.

A Website Committee will be established with a graphics design person needed to help with the layout. **Ted Rudolph** is ready to take suggestions on the site.

The Chairs of Programs/Committees will be moderators of the Forums.

### Banquet (March 5)

**Don Knowles** has agreed to be the speaker. His resume both on and off the track is impressive. Details of the arrangements to bring him here from North Carolina will be set by the next BOD meeting.

### Other Business

The SCCA license plate package has been put together and submitted to the State of Pennsylvania.

There was considerable discussion on the particular items of the budget. The tentative budget prepared by the Treasurer was revised and approved

A motion was passed to reinstate the Race Worker of the Year award to be given annually to a Philadelphia Region race worker who was outstanding in his/her licensed specialty. The award will be named in honor of Ed Ely, a long time Philadelphia Region race worker, who died in 2004.

Shirts will be ordered for all Solo II Chiefs and Program Chairs to be available at the beginning of the Summer.

It was decided to maintain the bright yellow color for Region branded clothing. The traditional Bugatti logo will continue to be the Region's official logo, but each program may also choose its own program logo.

Rob Leone asked Ken Buck to raise the issue of a 3% budget factor; where funds raised in a particular specialty would remain with that specialty, and only 3% would be moved into the general account to cover region expenses. He stated that a similar program exists in WDC Region. The BOD decided that such a financial arrangement does not fit well with Philadelphia Region programs or needs.

The next meetings will be:  
BOD - February 7 at 7:00 at Macaroni Grill  
General Membership – February 9 at PJ Whelihan's

Respectfully submitted,  
**Judy Bloeser**, Secretary

## General Membership Meeting

**December 8, 2004**

**Location:**  
Arnold's Go Kart Center, Oaks, PA.

**Attendance:**  
approximately 40

The minutes of the BOD meeting were handed out and questions were answered individually through the evening. The main activity was competition on the indoor go kart course. The group was divided into weight classes and fun runs. Drivers were gridded by weight for the first heat and by finishing order after that. Because of the time involved between heats, no final winner was declared, but everyone left having had fun.

Respectfully submitted,  
**Judy Bloeser**, Secretary

## Calendar

### February 2005

Date	Program	Event	Location	Related Link
2/5/05	<a href="#">Solo II</a>	Solo II Winter Event	Ripken Stadium, Aberdeen, MD	<a href="#">Directions to Ripken Stadium</a>
2/7/05	<a href="#">Philly Region</a>	Board Meeting 7pm	Romano's Macaroni Grill	<a href="#">Romano's Macaroni Grill</a>
2/9/05	<a href="#">Philly Region</a>	General Membership Meeting 8pm	P.J. Whelihan's Pub, Blue Bell, PA	<a href="#">P. J. Whelihan's Pub</a>
2/26/05	<a href="#">Road Rally</a>	Rally in the Dark	New Hope/Solebury High School, New Hope PA	<a href="#">Flyer</a> <a href="#">General Instructions</a>
2/28/05	<a href="#">Solo II</a>	Solo II Meeting	Tentatively scheduled for Julie's Steakhouse. Check website link below for update	

### March 2005

Date	Program	Event	Location	Related Link
3/7/05	<a href="#">Philly Region</a>	Board Meeting 7pm	Romano's Macaroni Grill	<a href="#">Romano's Macaroni Grill</a>
3/9/05	<a href="#">Philly Region</a>	General Membership Meeting 8pm	P.J. Whelihan's Pub, Blue Bell, PA	<a href="#">P. J. Whelihan's Pub</a>
3/12/05	<a href="#">Road Rally</a>	Road Rally School	Copperhead Grille, Bethlehem, PA	<a href="#">Copperhead Grille</a>
3/19/05	<a href="#">Solo II</a>	Solo II Winter Event	Ripken Stadium, Aberdeen, MD	<a href="#">Directions to Ripken Stadium</a>
3/29/05	<a href="#">Solo II</a>	Solo II Meeting	Valley Forge Brewing Co., Wayne, PA	<a href="#">Valley Forge Brewing Company</a>

### April 2005

Date	Program	Event	Location	Related Link
4/1/05 4/2/05	<a href="#">Solo II</a>	Solo II Novice School	Ripken Stadium, Aberdeen, MD	<a href="#">Directions to Ripken Stadium</a>
4/2/05	<a href="#">Road Rally</a>	March Lamb Road Rally		
4/3/05	<a href="#">Solo II</a>	Solo II	Ripken Stadium, Aberdeen, MD	<a href="#">Directions to Ripken Stadium</a>
4/11/05	<a href="#">Philly Region</a>	Board Meeting 7pm	Romano's Macaroni Grill	<a href="#">Romano's Macaroni Grill</a>
4/13/05	<a href="#">Philly Region</a>	General Membership Meeting 8pm	P.J. Whelihan's Pub, Blue Bell, PA	<a href="#">P. J. Whelihan's Pub</a>
4/26/05	<a href="#">Solo II</a>	Solo II Meeting	Valley Forge Brewing Co., Wayne, PA	<a href="#">Valley Forge Brewing Company</a>

[Click Here for Calender Updates](#)

## Club Racing Report

### George Bloeser, Chairman

Some good news for our Club Racing program in 2005: the Regions that comprise the Northeast Division have just approved, by an email vote, a NESCCA Double National for our Tri-Region race at Pocono, August 5, 6, 7. As I write this month's report, our first Tri-Region meeting for 2005 has yet to occur. It was re-scheduled from 1/11 to 1/20 due to inclement weather. That did not stop me, as the Chairman of Tri-Region, from working with the Tri-Region Board members from the Philadelphia, Northeastern PA, and South Jersey regions in the development of our first SCCA Performance Driving Clinic (PDC) June 17 and 18. We will begin working on the Double National at our January meeting. I will keep you updated on both events in the upcoming monthly reports.

I also have some sad news – on January 14th, **Chet Dombrowski**, a long-time Pit Marshal at Tri-Region races, passed away suddenly. Although currently a NEPA member, Chet started out with the Philly Region and was an active rallyist before moving to the Poconos, where he autocrossed and worked races at Pocono. He was a good friend and dedicated race worker. He will be sorely missed. His wife Helene works Registration and Timing & Scoring. Judy and I am encouraging her to stay involved as a part of the SCCA family.

For our members who race at Summit Point, DC Region has established the following Race Groups for 2005:

“Wings N Things”	FA, FC, FF, CF, FM, FS, CSR, DSR, S2
“Small Wings”	FV, F500
“Spec Racer Ford”	SRF
“ITA/S”	ITA, ITS
“ITB/SSM”	ITB, SSM
“Small Bore/SS”	GT Lite, GTP, EP, FP, GP, HP, SPU, SSB, SSC
“SRX7/ITC”	SRX7, ITC
“Big Bore”	AS, GT1, GT2, GT3, ITE, T1, T2, SPO, ASR

As some of you may recall, DC Region usually sets up a sequence of race groups for their order of appearance on track for all of their MARRS races for the entire year. This allows you to more closely plan your travel to the events you choose to compete in.

In 2005, Summit Racing Equipment will offer a contingency program for SCCA competitors who finish 1st, 2nd, 3rd, or 4th in Touring 1 (T-1), Touring 2 (T-2), GT-1, and American Sedan (AS) classes. Contingency money will be awarded at each of the 2005 National Club Racing events, as well as the SCCA National Championship Runoffs. Competitors in each of the four classes who place 1st, 2nd, 3rd, or 4th and display a Summit Racing Equipment decal on each side of their vehicle will earn the following cash contingency prizes: 1st place \$100; 2nd place \$75; 3rd place \$50, 4th place \$25. Official registration forms are now available at [www.scca.com](http://www.scca.com). Decals will be sent to each competitor upon receipt of an official registration form.

I will be attending and actively participating in the SCCA National Convention, January 27-30 in Kansas City, Kansas. Of particular interest to me is the Safety Symposium scheduled for all day Saturday 1/29, addressing critical subjects like driver and worker preparedness. I will have a full report on the National Convention for my March Club Racing Report.

## The NEDiv Roundtable

March 18 – 20, 2005

The Finger Lakes Region will be hosting the annual NEDIV Roundtable at The Lodge at Woodcliff; Rochester, NY <http://www.woodcliffodge.com>. They have scheduled comprehensive training programs for all areas of SCCA competition. Full day programs are on tap for Rally and Solo, training is also scheduled for Race Chairs and Road Rally Safety Stewards, and the SCCA University will be providing courses

The weekend starts with Registration from 6-9 PM on Friday and a Reception from 7-10 PM. Saturday's programs and activities begin at 8 AM and end with entertainment until 1AM. Sunday morning is when the “business” of the Northeast Division takes place. Details of the weekend schedule and the registration packet can be found as a link from the NESCCA website [www.nescca.com](http://www.nescca.com) or directly from Finger Lakes Region [www.flr-scca.com/05roundtable.html](http://www.flr-scca.com/05roundtable.html). The rooms (\$89 per night) will be held until February 25. The deadline for the Roundtable registration and meal selection is March 12.

This is a good time to prepare for November 2005, when Philadelphia Region will host the Northeast Division Mini-Convention. Participate in March and lead in November!

## Ken's Commentary

### By Ken Buck, Solo II Chair

As I sit here starting to write this article, it is snowing outside, and the temperature is 20°. Perfect weather for autocross! Our first OTTO'S MINI/CSE Solo II Winter Series event was held on Jan. 8, with sub 40° temperatures and pouring rain. 67 demented folks showed up to run a challenging **Corey Ridgick**-designed course, and let's just say that many cones felt the wrath of cold, wet bumpers. With the lot rental fees at Ripken Stadium, we need about 100 cars to break even; so needless to say; we did not turn a profit on this event. Our next event is scheduled for Jan 22; let's hope for drier weather and a bigger turnout.

My getting back into the region has brought together some new ideas, and with that, new sponsors. I am currently working on the 2004 CSE Solo II Series Championship Trophies, as well as the 2005 OTTO'S MINI Solo II Series event trophies and 2005 CSE Solo II Driver the Year Trophies. The Solo II Chiefs will now be easily identified at events because they will have personalized Philly-Region-Yellow polo shirts with checkered collars and cuffs.

We have narrowed the search for a new region truck, and I hope to take ownership by the next issue of the Spokesman. Region sponsor Cotner Trailers has agreed to install a vendor door in the side of whatever we purchase. I have had several requests for sponsorship on the side of the truck, but I am holding off until we actually get one.

As of this writing, I am still waiting to confirm dates for Boeing and NCCC, so I can not announce the 2005 OTTO'S MINI Solo II Schedule. I can tell you our series will start the weekend of April 3, so have your fresh set of tires ready. That's enough for this month; see everyone at the banquet.

## Historic Racing

### News release for distribution to all NEDIV SCCA Regions

Historic Racing is Alive and Growing in the Northeast Division

Whether you know it or not, your SCCA region has a historic racing program! Early in 2004, the Northeast Division and its 19 Regions agreed to support the formation of the Historic Racing Group (HRG). The HRG is an evolution of what was originally called the Volvo Historic Series, born in the Northern New Jersey Region (NNJR) of SCCA in 1997. After five years of support from Volvo, the series ran without sponsorship in 2002 and 2003, continuing its affiliation with NNJR. In 2004, the series broadened its horizons and was adopted by the Division.

The HRG's philosophy is to provide a fun, low key forum for pre-1974 production-based race cars, without the extremely rigid adherence to originality and pedigree that many of the pure vintage race series demand. There are presently five classes, segregated by engine displacement, with a wide mix of cars, from Minis and MG's, to BMW's and Porches, and Mustangs, Camaros and Corvettes. HRG cars must conform to current SCCA safety standards, run on DOT-approved tires, and generally comply to the SCCA's Historic GCR. "Neat and clean" appearance is strongly encouraged, while protests are discouraged. The 13/13 rule common to most vintage groups is not used, nor necessary. Drivers with a propensity to use the "chrome horn" are given a chance to voluntarily adjust their attitude. Should they continue in their evil ways, they are not welcomed back.

While fun is the main objective, and car-to-car contact is rare, there is plenty of close competition. The HRG

race is often one of the most entertaining groups of the day for the spectators, with the beautiful sight of 30 or more classic sports cars taking the green flag, the exciting thunder of 1960's muscle cars, and David and Goliath battles between Minis and Mustangs.

HRG runs as a separate race group within regional and national SCCA Club Racing events. In 2004, the schedule included eight events with 11 races at six tracks around the northeast. A similar schedule is in the works for 2005, with events planned at Lime Rock, Pocono, NHIS, Beaverun, and Watkins Glen. If you've got an old Production or Vintage car, or even an IT car, sitting in the garage, now's the time to blow the dust off of it, order some new DOT rubber, and get ready to race! More information can be found on the HRG web site, at <http://www.historicracing.org/>.

## NEDiv Road Rally

### February 2005

NEDiv RoadRally Championship Events Announced

The first event in the 2005 NEDiv RoadRally championship is coming up in two weeks. Snow\*Flake, a Finger Lakes Region event will be run on Saturday, February 5th, starting at 5:30PM. The start location is Cheap Charlies at 8 Elm Street in Bloomfield, NY. For further information, or to pre-register, contact the rallymaster, **Bill Laitenberger**, at (evening) 585-223-7096, or via email at [rallymaster@stpr.org](mailto:rallymaster@stpr.org), or check the web site at [www.flr-scca.com/rally](http://www.flr-scca.com/rally).

The second event will be Snow & Ice put on by Central New York Region on March 5. This event starts at 2 PM from the Best Western Little Falls at 20 Albany Street in Little Falls, NY. The rally will be about 200 miles long and will be run under the NER-SCCA regulations. For further information, contact the rallymaster, **David Lewis**, at [wdlewis@ntcnet.com](mailto:wdlewis@ntcnet.com), or check the web site at <http://users.ntcnet.com/~wdlewis/rally/>.

## Publicity and Marketing

### By Joe McCormick

I'd like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to those of you who don't already know me. My name is **Joe McCormick** and I'm the new Publicity Chair for Philly Region. Ken Buck nominated me for this job because he was surprised to find someone who could talk more than Jon Rush! I've been a certified car nut since birth. I race cars. I try to fix cars. I know how to tow cars that I've "fixed" to shops where they know how to fix cars. For work, I even sell cars!

I've been a Philly Region member since 1999. I learned about the SCCA from my employer at the time, **Howard Hanna**, the owner of YBH Audi and Volkswagen. Howard was a road racer for over thirty years starting in the late forties! I joined the club from an ad in SportsCar and got involved in autocross and later club racing. Being a member of the Philly Region has really had an impact on my life. Some of my best friends and favorite memories are the rewards of being an SCCA member. I look forward to giving something back to the club that has given me so much.

In my role as publicity chair I'm looking to fix one problem with our club that has bothered me since becoming a member. Nobody knows about us! For the most part the general public doesn't know that we exist. It's as if we're the Secret Car Club of America! We need to let people know what we offer as a club and how to join us in the fun. I'd like to change this with your help. In the coming year I'll be looking for more ways to broaden the exposure of our region.

While I have taken on a big task it has been made a lot easier by my predecessor, **Lori Leone**. Last year Lori gave countless hours towards the construction of our new website and forums with help from **Rob Leone**. The website makes what I want to do possible. Without Lori and Rob's efforts we would be in the dark ages... literally.

As Philly Region SCCA members I'm asking all of you for ideas and on how to get the word out about our club. Please email or call me with your suggestions. I welcome all ideas that you can share with me. My email address is [jmccormick@ottosmini.com](mailto:jmccormick@ottosmini.com)

## Membership: 812

### We Welcome these New Members

Yasuhiro T Hane  
David R Borcharding  
Tom de Angeli  
John Crackel  
Valerie Crackel  
Benjamin P Chmiel III

## Classified Ads

### FOR SALE:

- 4 16x8 BBS Rims for 5 stud GM cars. Used once at a national autocross and 6 months street. Will Deliver \$500.00. Phone 302-998-8916 Ask for Tom Jr.(4/05)
- 1992 Pontiac Grand Prix, Red, 3.4L 24V V-6, auto, PW, Power front seat, adjust. struts, custom exhaust w/ Borla mufflers, 107,000 miles. A good street car. Asking \$1300.00 obo. Phone 302-998-8916 Ask for Tom Jr.(4/05)

Classified ads in the Spokesman are FREE!! and run for three issues. Submit your ad to **Rich Sweigart** 215-249-9138. You may email your ads to [RSRacing356@cs.com](mailto:RSRacing356@cs.com) (my preferred method, please title as Spokesman Classified).

Please try to follow the format above. Deadline for inclusion in the following month's newsletter is the 15th of the month before publication.

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# Awards Banquet & Winter Get Together

Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2005

## Doylestown Country Club

Cash bar opens at 6:30pm  
Buffet dinner will be served at 7:30pm  
The food is always excellent  
Desert will be the sundae bar

After Dinner the awards will be presented which include:  
Solo II, Schade Trophy, Driver of the Year, Mark Freed

### **Door prizes will be given out all throughout the night!**

Directions to Doylestown Country Club from PA Trunpike Exit 27 Willow Grove - Route 611 North to Doylestown. When you get to into Doylestown make a right on Ashland and an Immediate right on Green Street, .04 miles DCC is on the left.  
From Allentown - Route 611 south to Main Street exit. South through Doyelstown. Bear Left onto Green Street at Ashland and .04 miles to DCC on the left.  
From Montgomeryville Route 202 North to the 611 Bypass towards New Hope take the 1<sup>st</sup> exit "Main Street". Make left at light and immediate right onto Green Street follow above directions.

Please mail this form along with your check (\$25/each), payable to Philadelphia Region SCCA, by Feb 21<sup>st</sup> and mail to Phila Region SCCA, 845 Plymouth Road, Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462. If you have any questions please call or email Steven Rosenberg 610-313-9397 or scooter11fm@comcast.net

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