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**CENTRAL NEW YORK REGION SCCA CNY SCCA RALLYCROSS** 

On the cover:

CNY SCCA Solo/Rallycross supplies van @ the second solo event of 2013 "Down In The Valley" on June 2nd at Cherry Valley Motorsports Park. Photo courtsey of Alyssa Johnson

### **Novice Season Complete -**

Most of you may not know me, and some of you have just met me. In terms of auto racing 2013 was my first crack at it. Pulling away with a 1st place Novice finish, and impressive (as I am told) a 6th place overall finish. Enough with the gloating. You can find me on an autocross track in a 2011 white Subaru WRX which found me in April of last year when I decided to get behind the wheel of much more power than a base model Mitsubishi Lancer. I could not be happier with the car; and thanks to Rob, enjoyed an awesome autocross season.



The Snarling has had some rough recent history. We all have lives and get busy with the things that we need to do within them. And I have been hearing that many people just skim through it, and some just send it to their deleted folder. While having a printed newsletter would be awesome it just doesn't seem feasible currently. With that said I will do all that I can to get some good news within the newsletter to keep you all reading. With that said finding the time to write articles and editing the newsletter can be difficult. Anyone who can find extra time each month to contribute and article, or just once every so often please do.

With a bit of luck I will get a newsletter worth your time to read on a regular basis. I thank you all for reading and look forward to seeing you at an event during the upcoming season of autocross.



### Event Schedule

March 12th - Membership Meeting, Liverpool American Legion, 7:00pm March 29th - RALLYCROSS: CNY RallyX #6, Walczyks Farm April 6th - The Annual Van Cleanout @ Mark's House, Time TBD April 13th - RALLYCROSS: CNY RallyX #7, Walczyks Farm May 14th - Safety Stewart Training, Before Membership Meeting June 22nd - SOLO: NYS Fairgrounds

Other events ... watch this space ...





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## Assistant R.E. Report

From the Assistant R.E., Ed Leubner

Greetings and Happy 2014!

The awards banquet is history. All the 2013 trophy's have been distributed and it is time to begin thinking and prepping for the upcoming racing season!

The banquet was once again held at Borio's, and it was a great opportunity to eat some good food and bench race with friends without having to worry about rushing off to line up for your next run or dash off to your work assignment. A good time was had by all. Many thanks to Rob for making it all happen.

As I write this, it is around zero degrees outside. I'm sure that both the RallyCross and ice racers are happy with all the snow and frigid temperatures that are supplying them with some great racing surfaces to run on this season. Stay warm guys!

2014 will see major changes to the Solo Rules with the change from Stock to Street Tire classes. Street replaces the Stock categories. The goal is to make it easier for new members to run with cars that are close to stock (Street) with very limited modifications. Specifically it excludes sticky R-Comp tires. Tires in the Street Classes must now have a minimum UTQG rating of 140 for 2014 and it increases to a rating of 200 next year - (make sure you burn those tires down with lots of runs!) There are many other changes along with the reclassifying of vehicles. All the the 2014 Solo Rules including the Stock to Street changes can can be downloaded from: http://www.scca.com/ assets/2014%20Solo%20Rules%20Book%201% 20draft%20a%20reduced.pdf

If you are looking for the latest information in the Solo world, check out the "Solo Matters" website. It has reports on recent events, articles with details about the various car classes along with schedules of upcoming events and video tutorials on how to improve your Solo performance. The website was recently redesigned to make it easier to navigate. Check out the website: http:// www.solomatters.com/welcome-to-the-new-

solomatters



Ed awarding Mark with the Member of the Year award Photo: Karen Sgarlata





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One of the articles on the website discusses a new addition to the 2014 Solo Rules.

CAM – Classic American Muscle – A new Solo class for muscle cars.

Eligible Vehicles:

Vehicle must be considered a "street legal" (lights, wipers, etc.), US-domestic automobile of front-engine/RWD configuration or a "pick-up" truck. Must be licensed and insured. Vehicle must pass the mandatory safety inspection (tech) and be in compliance with Section 3, Vehicles, of the 2014 SCCA® National Solo® Rules.

Vehicles must weigh at least 3000 pounds.

Body:

All body panels must be present in the original standard locations and may be modified or replaced.

EXCEPTION: High-Boys (1954 and earlier), Roadsters (1954 and earlier), and Trucks (1940 and earlier) are not required to have fenders or hood sides. All glass must be present. Glass components may be replaced by Lexan®. Interior must be finished and have minimum seating for two adults.

The fuel tank/cell must be separated from the driver/passenger compartment by a metal panel/bulkhead. The fuel tank/cell must not vent into the driver/passenger compartment.

Wheels and Tires:

Any metallic wheels are allowed. Non-metallic wheels must be certified from an appropriate, recognized standards organization (i.e. SAE, SFI, FIA, TUV, etc.). Only DOT-approved tires with a UTQG Treadwear Grade of 200 or higher are permitted.

Body Electrical System:

Electrical components and wiring are unrestricted.

Brake System: Brake system and components are unrestricted.

Suspension and Steering:

Suspension and steering components are unrestricted. Method of attachment is unrestricted.

Engine and Drive Train:

Engine, drive train, and associated components (internal and external) are unrestricted.

Safety Inspection (Tech) Summary:

Complete details in Section 3.3.3.B of the 2014 SCCA® National Solo® Rules (page 37.) Loose items removed, Hub caps (snap-on), trim rings, fender skirts removed, Seats secured, Camera(s) secured, Battery secured, Throttle return in good condition, Brakes in good condition, Tires in good condition, Wheel bearings, steering and suspension in good condition, Wheels and lug nuts/bolts secured and in good condition, Seat belts/harnesses secured and in good condition, Exhaust exit behind driver or to the side, Fluids no leaks, Roll bar (if equipped) compliant and at proper height, Helmet compliant and in good condition, Snell SA2010, SAH2010, SA2005, SA2000, M2010, M2005, M2000, K2010, K2005, K98, SFI 31.1, 41.1, 31.1A, 31.2A, 41.1A, 41.2A, BS6658-85 type A/FR. Flex fans not permitted. Alcohol or alcohol/water injection not permitted. Steering wheel "spinner knobs" not permitted. Nitrous bottles at the event (Section 1.3.2.M) not permitted.

This sounds like a great opportunity for anyone that has a muscle car parked in their garage. If you or someone you know has one, tell them to bring it out and run with us! I might just have to bring the '65 Mustang out instead of the Miata!

See you around the grid.

# **The New Hotness!**

Photos & Words: Dan Hurley

What: 106th Annual Syracuse Auto Expo

Where: Syracuse Oncenter & War Memorial

When: February 13th - 16th 2014

This year at the expo performance cars were few and far between, but that did not stop us from enjoying a night out to check out all the automotive industry has to offer us for 2014. Hits of the show included the all new 2015 Ford Mustang GT and the 2014 Chevrolet Corvette Stingray. Great news for us, our CNY SCCA booth was a great hit. We had many people interested in what we are and what we do. Hopefully that will bring us some new faces at Autocross and Rallycross alike.















## A Word from the Rally Chair

From the Rally Chair, Josh Glassberg

Hello Weekend Racers! My name is Josh Glassberg and I am the CNY Rallvcross Chair. To those of you who don't know me, I have been attending Autocross and Rallycross events in CNY for the past couple years. I have always loved driving with spirit and testing the limits of the cars I am driving. My first experience with SCCA was a trip out to watch my good friends Wes and Charlie Davis compete at the Seneca Army Depot.





I stood at the starting line in awe. My jaw dropped. The cars, the sounds, and the smells! (No, not that guy cooking burgers while smoking a cigarette...) I can still feel the roar of those perfectly tuned cars taking off along the orange trail. Once I started competing at SCCA events, I was hooked. My first event was an autocross event at Cherry Valley in my white '93 Toyota MR2 Turbo. James Quattro kept telling me that if I liked driving around cones, I should try it in the mud! I brought my '08 Jetta Wolfsburg to Weedsport and I've been addicted to challenge ever since. Come out and test yourself at our next event on March 29th!

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# 2014 Tire Rack SCCA Solo Championship Tour Schedule

March 15-16 South Georgia Motorsports Park Cecil, GA

Mar. 29-30 Texas A&M College Station, TX

April 5-6 Qualcomm Stadium San Diego, CA

May 3-4 MetLife Stadium East Rutherford, NJ

May 25-26 Lincoln Airpark Lincoln, NE

June 14-15 Crows Landing Air Facility Patterson, CA

July 5-6 Former Hampton Mills Lumber Plant Packwood, WA

August 2-3 Wilmington Airpark Wilmington, OH

September 2-5 Tire Rack Solo National Championship Lincoln Airfield Lincoln, NE

September 27-28 Arkansas Aeroplex (Former Eaker AFB) Blytheville, AR

# 2014 Tire Rack SCCA Solo Match Tour Schedule

April 12-13 Wilmington Airpark Wilmington, OH

May 17-18 Turner Field Atlanta, GA

June 7-8 Devens Airfield Police Training Facility Ayer, MA

June 14-15 Pikes Peak International Raceway Fountain, CO

July 5-6 Grissom Airpark Peru, IN

August 16-17 Milwaukee, WI

October TBA Western Location TBD

## 2014 Tire Rack SCCA ProSolo Schedule

Round 1 March 22-23 Arkansas Aeroplex (Former Eaker AFB) Blytheville, AR

Round 2 April 12-13 El Toro (Former Marine Base) Irvine, TX

Round 3 April 26-27 Fed-Ex Field Largo, MD

Round 4 May 3-4 Mineral Wells Airport Mineral Wells, TX

Round 5 May 23-24 Lincoln Airpark Lincoln, NE

Round 6 June 7-8 Crows Landing Air Facility Patterson, CA

Round 7 June 28-29 Toledo Express Airport Toledo, OH Round 8 July 12-13 Former Hampton Mills Lumber Plant Packwood, WA

Round 9 July 26-27 Wilmington Airpark Wilmington, OH

Round 10 August 30-31 ProSolo Finale Lincoln Airpark Lincoln, NE



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*How about those of you with a need to play in the dirt?* SCCA's RallyCross® program offers competitions similar to Solo events on loose surfaces. RallyCross also has a very competitive National championship structure.

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