

June/July, 2005

# Brian Redman International Challenge

The BRIC (Brian Redman International Challenge) will be held at Road America on the weekend of July 15–17. As always we need sufficient workers to staff the event.

For those of you who have never attended the BRIC, the food offerings are excellent for the Friday and Saturday evening dinners. The opportunity to see the broad spectrum of vintage racecars that are presented at the BRIC, is unmatched at any other vintage event held in the United States. There will be over four hundred vintage racecars in attendance, ranging from small British sports cars to Can–Am and Formula One racecars.

This would be a great event to come out and try one of our racing specialties such as Flagging and Communications, Timing and Scoring, Grid, Pit Lane, Technical Inspection, Paddock, and others.

# **BRIC Registration Hours** for Workers and Guests

Thursday, July 14 6:00pm – 8:00pm

Friday, July 15 6:30am – 10:00am

6:00pm - 8:00pm

Saturday, July 16 6:30am – 12noon

Sunday, July 17 6:30am – 10:00am

Please make sure your guests are aware of the Registration Hours. The BRIC Staff will **NOT** register our workers or guests. Anyone arriving after our Registration is closed will need to purchase a ticket to enter the track.

# **Check Your Directory Information**

Please send all address and member information changes to Toby Schuster at the address below. If you are a spouse member whose last name differs from that of your spouse, and you would like a separate directory listing, please note that on the sheet below with the correct information and send it in. Please complete the necessary information/changes on the form below and return it to:

Toby Schuster 1150 N. 50th Street Milwaukee, WI 53208

NAME:	
NAME OF SPOUSE:	
NAME(S) OF CHILDREN:	
ADDRESS:	
CITY:	STATE: ZIP:
HOME PHONE:	WORK PHONE:
E–MAIL:	

# Cat National and Spec Miata Milwaukee Cup July 22–24, 2005 Information and Entry Form:

http://www.scca-milwaukee.org/MISC\_PDF\_FILES/CatNational2005Final.pdf

#### Travel through Milwaukee - Road Construction Alert

The Marquette Interchange Project is underway through November 2006. Participants traveling on I–43 near I–94, as well as small segments of I–94 and I–794, will be affected. Visit the Marquette Interchange Project website **www.mchange.org** for the most current closure information.

### **Updates for New Region Directory**

We are in the process of updating the Milwaukee Region Directory. We are sending postcards to Region members asking for updated information. If your information is incorrect, please correct it on the card and return it to Toby Schuster. The printing of the new directory is anticipated for this fall.

If you know your information is incorrect, you can also notify Toby by using the form found above..

# R.E. View – Julie Komp

Wow, all of a sudden it's the heart of summer and three of our races are in the books, the Rennen and Bonneau double regionals and the Mueller national. Moving the Bonneau to the weekend before the Sprints was a good thing from an entries standpoint but a real negative as far as worker numbers go.

Speaking of worker numbers, I'd like to fill you in on a growing problem, that being lack of workers. As part of my training as a new steward, I have been rotating through and working each specialty. What I have found is a worsening problem. Do you realize how long the grid is at Road America? Try 24 spaces long by 25 feet per space. That's 600 feet without the lead in and lead out, 200 yards or 2 football fields. The day I reported to work that specialty, we had 2 Grid workers to cover all that turf, and for those of you who aren't aware, the Grid goes slightly up hill at Road America. We had relatively large groups during the Bonneau weekend and each person had to cover a lot of ground. We've had 1 Sound worker and 1 or 2 Paddock workers for the last few years and have had to barter with other regions on the rare occasion our folks were unable to attend a race. Race Chairs and Registration are doing their best with the limited amount of workers they have. Flaggers have an RSVP system and we have gone into race weekends this year with confirmation to staff only 1 flagger per corner. We have luckily gotten the appropriate number of walk-in licensed flaggers to meet the GCR requirements. We've run Timing and Scoring with just a handful of people and still performed all the functions: keeping track of each car as they go by, doing lap charts during the race, running the transponder and timing lights computer, auditing, and putting results together in the back room. We've been light in Tech and been challenged with not only the gear check, but first-time car inspections and log book issuance and annual techs (which take a longer amount of time).

So what's the point? We have two main groups of customers in Road Racing - volunteer workers and competitors, and we can't serve one without the other. How can you help? Well, for starters, get your family and friends involved. Folks 18 and up (sometimes 16 and up) can work areas considered 'hot' on the track. Those include Flagging and Communication, Sound, Grid, Pits, Course Marshal, Rescue, and some jobs in Tech. Did you

know that younger children can work a specialty? Timing and Scoring, Registration, and Race Chairs put our younger folks to good use and they learn to be more responsible and have a sense of purpose when coming to the track. What do you get out of it? First of all comradery, friends and fun and oh yes, a gift when you register, a free lunch and a free dinner. You can win door prizes at the end of the day and have the best seat in the house. If you work the Milwaukee Region races, you can even get your membership dues paid for each year.

What does it cost to become a worker? Well not having workers can cost us the cancellation of a race weekend. Seriously; if we cannot meet the GCR minimums, we can't hold a race. What it costs you personally is ZERO dollars. To be a worker, you need to be a region member. If you or your family member or friend is not, we can provide a 90–day temporary membership to try it out. Don't I need a license to work a specialty? Yes, and they come in 3 flavors, Regional, Divisional and National. We can issue you a Regional license, no charge, on day one. That allows you to do entry level tasks in whichever specialty you choose. As your abilities grow and you take on new tasks, you will move up to the Divisional and National license grades.

So how do I get started? One phone call or e-mail starts the process rolling. We have a great event coming up to bring new folks in to try a specialty. It's the Brian Redman historic races on July 15, 16, and 17<sup>th</sup> followed by the Cat National and Spec Miata Milwaukee Cup on July 23 and 24<sup>th</sup>. Give me a call 920.849.7626 or e-mail scca\_milw\_re@yahoo.com and we can chat about your interests. If you'd like to talk to the person in charge of a particular specialty, on the Milwaukee Region website, there is a Personnel link on the main page and if you scroll down there is contact info for each of those people as well.

Please consider volunteering your time or twist the arm of a family member or friend. Although the specialties are doing a fine job with a handful of dedicated people, we need to increase their ranks to continue our ability to put on fine races.

We would sincerely appreciate your help. See you at the track!

## 2005 Road Racing Schedule

July 15–17 BRIC at Road America

July 23–24

Cat National and Milwaukee Cup at Road America

Sept 3–4 Regional at Milwaukee Mile

Sept 16–18 VSCDA at Road America

### HELP!!!!

#### **Drift Contributors Wanted**

Have an idea for an article?

Want to contribute photos?

Have an amusing anecdote?

Have some fun gossip?

Contact the Editor, Chris Cwiklinski ccwikl@sbcglobal.net

#### 2005 Solo Schedule

July 31 - Solo #5 at MGA in Burlington Sponsored by Alexander's Auto Care

Aug. 6 - Fun, non-points event for SCCA members only

Sept. 5 - Solo #6 (Labor Day)

Oct. 1 - Solo #7 Sponsored by Kelly's Bleachers

Oct. 2 - Solo #8

Sponsored by Prototype Techniques

Event registration: 7:15 am to 8:30 am Course walking 7:45 to 9:15 am Tech inspection: 7:30 am to 8:45 am

Drivers meeting: 9:30 am First car off at 10:00 am

Membership applications will be available and pre–registering is encouraged. There will be a hard registration cut off at 8:30am on the day of the event. Please be prompt! Showing up after that won't allow you time to walk the course. Drivers not familiar with the course slow the event down which isn't fair to others.

\$20 for SCCA member pre–registration \$30 for SCCA member onsite registration \$40 for non–member onsite registration

## Rich Aguirre

Former Milwaukee Region member Rich Aguirre, age 80, died Monday, June 13, 2005 in Casa Grande, AZ. One of Concours Motors original employees, he stayed through to retirement in the eighties, remarried and soon after moved to Phoenix. Arizona.

In the early sixties, he raced a silver Formcar Formula Vee with blue trim that was somewhat similar to the paint design on Bill Wuesthoff's beautiful Porsche RS60. He enjoyed golfing and cooking in his spare time.

He is survived by his wife, Karen Aguirre of Maricopa, AZ; 2 stepsons, Brian Bartel of Phoenix, AZ and Michael Bartel of Wisconsin; 2 stepdaughters, Brenda Jaqua of Wisconsin and Holly Rodriquez of Anthem, AZ; 2 brothers, Steve Aguirre of Wisconsin and Mike Aguirre of Iowa; 2 sisters, Victoria Conrad and Mary Edens, both of Iowa and 6 grandchildren.

Our condolences to his friends and family.

## SOLO REPORT

By Dan Kimber, Solo Chairman

#### 2005 SOLO DRIVERS SCHOOL

Once again the Solo Drivers School was a great success. There were over 50 participants at the school all interested in improving their car control skills. Jeff Cashmore did an excellent job of organizing the event site and volunteers to provide an excellent experience for all of the students.

Everyone met at Kelly's Bleachers on Bluemound Road for a classroom session then had a good lunch before heading down to Miller Park. At Miller Park everyone got plenty of seat time and one on one instruction. The day concluded with a Q&A session were the students expressed their appreciation for a well event.

#### **SOLO EVENT #1**

The first event of the year was on May 15<sup>th</sup> and was sponsored by Big Bear Tire. The weather proved to be a little cool, but the rain held off to make for a great opening event. There were 167 entries each getting 5 runs each. Brad Lamont managed to take 1<sup>st</sup> place on RTP index in his 99 Miata beating out Jeff Cashmore who is car shopping this year.

#### **SOLO EVENT #2**

The second event of the year was on May  $30^{th}$ . There were 165 entries each getting 6 runs each. Jeff Cashmore retook the top spot in index beating out Colin Fiedler in the "Stock Shocks" S2000.

If you are interested in helping out more in advance, or the day of the event, please see Dan Kimber at the events or email me at

### **2005 Incentive Program**

To qualify you must work <u>BOTH</u> days of <u>BOTH</u> the **Bonneau Double Regional** (June 18-19) and the **Cat National** (July 23-24) and one of the options listed below.

Being a full day worker at any day of a Milwaukee Region PDE (formerly known as HPCCC) will be considered a "Wild Card Day" and can be substituted for one non-required race days listed in Option 1 or Option 2. If there are multiple PDEs only one "Wild Card Day" can be used.

 Option 1
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 Any 5\* or more days from:
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 Mueller National 5/21, 5/22
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 Rennen Double Regional 6/4, 6/5
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 VSCDA 9/16, 9/17, 9/18
 VS

 TO GET: \$75
 \$2

Option 2
Any 4\*\* days from:
Mueller National5/21, 5/22
Rennen Double Regional6/4, 6/5
VSCDA9/16, 9/17, 9/18

Option 3 All 3 days of: VSCDA9/16, 9/17, 9/18

\$20 \$20

\*or 4 days from the list and a "Wild Card" Day

\*\* or 3 days from the list and a "Wild Card" Day

## THE TUPPER CHRONICLES

#### **BY Steve Tupper**

"Please Pass the Gelatin"

The '05 race season seems exciting already. But then, watching traffic patterns during the news hour is exciting to me since I missed three quarters of last season due to illness. Cardiac bypass surgery has become a common procedure lately amongst many a region member. But, I don't want to talk about it. Like, how they open your chest with a pawl ratchet and splay your shoulder and back muscles like game kill. Then they cut out a pea shooter length macaroni vein from your leg and re employ it to replace vessels around your heart that have been plugged with those "Oh, so good" morning pastries, sausage bacon cheeseburgers, Pomme de frites, and delightful dairy fromage. You wake up from surgery feeling like a train wreck and you plead (nonverbally) that you can't breathe even though you have a garden hose size oxygen tube down your throat. I don't want to think about it. Then friends and relatives come to visit. You're unshaven and sporting a urine catheter while modeling the latest in hospital gowns.

During the holidays us old farts got together to complain ... "Yah, so they stuck me with these needles all day and all night, see, and the hospital food sucked, I tell ya, and then they say I gotta lose 30 pounds!" All kidding aside, thanks to St. Luke's Hospital staff and thanks for the cards, emails, the autographed tee shirts & the Knippels' car magazine subscription. I wish all of our bypass friends (past and future) the best of health. Eat right, exercise and stop smoking.

Back to this year's racing. It's tough trying to find good programs on the Speed channel during the off season. Last year they attempted to fill the boredom with nostalgic Speed Racer cartoons; a real treat until they aired it day and night for four solid months! This spring we got to watch Michael Waltrip's NASCAR celebrity poker!! Early in January is the Dakar Rallye (only on OLN channel this year). It takes you on an enchanting visit for several weeks in the African desert where you fall in love with drivers with exotic names like multiple winner Jean Louis Schlesser, or this years winner Stephane Peterhansel. Jutta Kleinschmidt (with her co pilot, Tina

Toerner) is the only female driver to win overall. It's a lonely and grueling contest. During a break down, a driver and team can spend an evening sharing their sleeping bags with the scorpions. USA's own Robbie Gordon impressed the status quo (the first American to win stages). While racing through the dunes, slapping camel grass along the way, he took a tumble end over end, but still finished 12<sup>th</sup> at the end.

Gordon has been one of my favorite multi–talented drivers. And the list of crossover NASCAR stock car drivers/road racers continues to impress. Tony Stewart, Dale Earnheart Jr., Jimmy Johnson and others displayed their right turn talents along with a massive turnout of popular international drivers during the 24 hours of Daytona... Stewart almost winning, but losing, two years in a row. The Daytona 500 was the usual waiting for the "big wreck" and the last five laps.

Part of the excitement of Sebring weekend was our own PD Cunningham, back in an Acura, wins in World Challenge. In Formula One, while waiting for the Shumey and Rubens show to start we were surprised by the Renault team and . . . Alonso wins three races! Suddenly F1 is fun again. IRL is worth watching these days. Danica Patrick has been a consistent top runner almost winning the Indy 500 pole and the race as a rookie!

While working at the Skip Barber racing school at RA, I had the opportunity to observe a promising protege in Marco Andretti for the past two years (then age 16, and looking like 13). While in the hospitality tent, he was cordial and polite. He can drive in the rain like a pro . . . he's gonna be good. Watch for him in the Pro Formula Mazda this season.

Recall the term "the greying of the SCCA" where the average age of volunteers is like 35 and advancing. During the off season we race organizers think up ways to make SCCA activities more attractive to young, potential members. This winter Speed Channel did have one good show called NOPI tunervision where these young folks hang out at drag strips around the country and race four cylinder supercharged "tuners" (hot rods

for you old farts) that are capable of 200 mph! Hundreds of show cars are displayed; some guys spending two to three hundred grand displaying the latest in hip mechanics and creature comforts like 20 inch wheels with spinners, thousand watt entertainment center with 18 speakers, video screens, "Lambo" doors and wings . . . every toy imaginable. For that much cash I'd get a vacation home, a boat, and race several classes of SCCA cars!

The best part of the show is what "Autoweek" magazine called a "swimsuit contest". I'd call it "half ... no, four fifths naked young, hot babes in thongs pleasure show." Yes, after all these years of teaching our youngsters proper moral values and the pitfalls of potential sexual harassment lawsuits, the boys still like the eye candy. The girls get on the a boardwalk and proceed to engage in the "shaking of the sinful parts." Why, I almost turned the channel, but I just had to see what happened next. Next, there was the evening party where there was a wrestling contest in a jello pit with ... Yes, hot babes in thongs wrestling and shaking the sinful parts. The young, beer drinking guys roar with approval. That's when I had what some would call an Andy Kaufman awakening. Let's build a gelatin pit at the tracks. I will challenge any female ... young, old or half naked to a wrestling dual (or preferably a threesome). Why the party would go until midnight just like the old days. Boy, oh Boy! This would attract the young race workers that we need . . this would attract more than that. What? You say the Sunday morning meeting is at 7AM? Let me sleep on it.

Love and Thanks, Tup

## **IMPORTANT MINOR WAIVER REMINDER**

ALL PERMANENT (PINK) MINOR WAIVERS AND THE HOT PINK MINOR PHOTO IDS BECAME INVALID AS OF **MAY 1, 2004** 

Every minor (under the age of 18) needs a signed minor waiver in order to be able to enter the track premises. There is no longer a permanent waiver; a new waiver must be filled out each **CALENDAR** year.

The minor waiver form is a 2-part form. As with previous minor waiver forms, only a parent or legal guardian can sign the form, but the requirement for witnesses to the signatures are different than in the past.

<u>ANNUAL WAIVER</u>: For an Annual Waiver, the form MUST be signed by BOTH parents or legal guardians. The signatures must be witnessed by an SCCA licensed Registrar or the waiver form has to be notarized. If there is only one parent/guardian or if a parent has sole custody, the appropriate box so attesting must be initialed by the parent/guardian. A new yellow minor photo ID can be issued after the new Annual Waiver is completed. There may be a charge for this yellow photo ID.

<u>SINGLE EVENT MINOR WAIVERS:</u> For a single event, the minor waiver must be signed by at least ONE parent/legal guardian. The signature on this must be witnessed by an SCCA licensed Registrar or Steward whether at or away from the event site or it may be notarized.

Please, please remember, and remind your guests and crew: If they are bringing a minor to the track and you or they are not his/her parent or legal guardian, the minor must have a waiver signed by his/her parent or legal guardian and witnessed by a licensed Registrar or a Steward or the form must be notarized or the minor will not be allowed to enter the track.

**If you have any questions or need blank minor waiver forms** for your grandchildren, nieces, nephews, other relatives, friends, friends of friends of your kids, etc. please contact the event Registrar or the Milwaukee Region Goddess,

Chris Cwiklinski, (414) 449–3862

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Please include your mailing address and the number of forms you will need.

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