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## REport

### Support Your Region, Get Involved

Glen Region Members,

In the latest edition of SportsCar, our Area 10 Director and Chairman of the Board of Directors, John Walsh wrote about the purpose and responsibilities of the Board of Directors of the SCCA. In this edition of the REport I would like to touch on the same theme within our own region.

Each and every one of our active members actually drives the direction of region. All of you are represented by our four Board Directors who are; Chuck Dobbs, Pat Scopelliti, Tom Weaver, and Phil Kelley. These directors instruct the RE in the direction the region should head. Along with the RE (me), the Asst RE (Kyle Colbey), Treasurer (Sandy Sanders), Secretary (Allan Kintz), and Activities Director (Tim Meddaugh) operate things at the Region-Wide level.

Each of our 'departments' has its own Chairperson and/or Board. The Club Race side has the Club Racing Board (CRB), which is heading up by Cheryl Zebrowski and three members. The Solo side has the Solo Board, which is headed up by Danielle Hautaniemi and the Solo Board. And the Rally side of things is headed up by Bob Gillespie for the Green Grand Prix event.

It takes a large amount of people to operate our region and its activities. Please consider being a Solo Event Chair, a Club Race Specialty Chief, a Race Chair, or even help out at one of our membership activities such as the Annual Meeting or Awards Banquet. The more active members pitch in the help, the more the workload is evenly spread across the nearly 300 members of the Glen Region. You will never regret it! Being part of our region as a participant is fun, and being part as a participant AND helping out is even more rewarding.

I look forward to representing you and the Glen Region as whole at the SCCA National Convention in March. Please let your directors know if there is anything you would like to see happen in our region, a way to make things better, and a new direction we should steer towards!

Please support the BoD and your region. Attend the meetings, events, and activities. Volunteer to help. Be part of the greatest region in the Sports Car Club of America.

In The Spirit Of The Sport,

--Ed

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### 2014 Green Grand Prix

The Green Grand Prix is in need of a Registrar and a Timing and Scoring official for our 10th annual charity TSD (Time/Speed/Distance) rally on the morning of Friday April 11th. The morning segment is held on the on the WGI short course. All vehicles will be fitted with transponders. Kyle Colbey has a program for the print out we need. The afternoon segment runs on area public roads. Gary Thomas from Finger Lakes Region will score the afternoon rally. All volunteers receive a free buffet dinner at the Glen Club.

This Glen Region event is sponsored by Toyota and the Doris Bovee Memorial Foundation. We reach out to auto tech colleges and high schools in the Northeast and expect about 10 schools to enter vehicles this year. The remainder of the 40 car field is rounded out by business and private entries. As usual, NYElectrathon will be running races that day in the South Paddock parking lot, weather permitting. This is always a fun and competitive day.

If you can help, please contact Bob Gillespie at [rgillesp@roadrunner.com](mailto:rgillesp@roadrunner.com) or call him at 315-694-2812



Richard Madia finished 7th in ITS at last year's July Sprints race in his 260Z.

### BoD: Money Matters

A few words from our Treasurer, Sandy Sanders, on her position with the region...

The Glen Region Treasurer's responsibilities include - reconciling the checking and investment accounts, writing checks for driver refunds at events, track rentals, expenses during the year, and making appropriate deposits during the year. Filing tax documents, keeping our accounts up to date with signers and keeping tabs on the debit/credit cards and of course keeping hard copies filed for access by the BOD for their pleasure/reports as needed.

I have been treasurer for 5 years and have taken us through an IRS audit for





Glen Region member John Hellmers, running through the inner loop at last year's May Madness event.

## NEDiv Roundtable

We don't have a schedule yet for the Roundtable (currently in progress as I understand it!), but here is some info if you are planning on booking a room at the Inn.

Single rooms are \$110 per night and Double Occupancy is \$120. Our cut off date is currently 3/4/14 but I'm trying to get it extended to after the national convention hopefully 3/14/14. Call The Inn at Pocono (570-839-7111) and mention NE Division Sports Car Club of America for the discounted rate.

Also, if you are planning on attending for the day, it is likely that the region's van will be making the trip down for the sessions on Saturday (various training and informational things, likely). There is also a good chance of Solo Safety Steward training again and we'd like to recruit a few more people if possible to get that process started!

## National Convention Rides

Planning to attend the National Convention in Charlotte NC this year but need a ride? The Glen Region van will be making the trip!

Currently the plan is to leave Thursday 3/6 in the AM and stop short of Charlotte

our Not for Profit Status, which was confirmed. A little scary if I must say, but I have enjoyed most of the challenges. The biggest challenge I find is separating the financial information for the 2 July races when it's our turn it's not fun but our race chairs really do make it easier with their break downs.

Along with being treasurer I have been involved in racing since 1996, starting in F&C and now have gone to the "Dark side" Stewarding. I have to thank Jennifer, Stu and Barb Luther for getting me into the SCCA family.

## Calling All Sound People

The Glen Region is (still) in need of a new Sound Control person. We have been without a Sound chief for a couple years now - and while other regions have been gracious enough to help us thus far, ideally a more permanent solution is needed.

What does Sound Control do? This person measures and records dB levels of Club Racing competitors on track to ensure they are complying with the sound limit defined by the Supps (and WGI!).

Equipment and training is available - we just need a volunteer! If you're interested, contact [Cheryl Zebrowski](#).



Dave and Nancy Cole made it out to one of our Solo events last year. Dave is here trying to put down a time he hoped Nancy couldn't beat.

to stay Thursday night - then arriving early on Friday. The return trip would be similar, leaving Sunday, 3/9 and stopping somewhere for the night, finally returning some time Monday 3/10.

If you are interested, give [Tim Meddaugh](#) a call.

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