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Condolences to the Jennifer Husk Family. Jennifer was the manager and co-owner along with husband, Scott of West Fork Roadhouse. She passed away on January 13th.

FEBRUARY MEMBERSHIP MEETING

PLEASE NOTE:

**NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON
TUESDAY, FEB. 1**

**WEST FORK ROADHOUSE
3850 BELMONT AVE
YOUNGSTOWN, OH**
just south of I 80

Meeting Time: 8:00pm

Come early for dinner.

REmarks - Reed Kryder

It is hard to think of racing when the temperature outside is struggling to reach double digits. But it will be here sooner than you might think. Actually, the next few weeks will start to get us in the proper state of mind. There is a 24 Hour race on TV this coming weekend. Three weeks later the Daytona 500 will have many of us acting as couch potatoes. In between Sandi and I will be attending the SCCA National Convention.

And don't forget we have a membership meeting February 1st. Since we didn't have a January meeting there should be lots of news and gossip for everyone to catch up on. Sandi and I can let you know about the racing at the Sebring Double Nationals. We have had a request from another group for participation in the MVR Double Regional.. Hopefully we will hear a report on how the idea for a "stand-alone" ITC race during the same Regional weekend is progressing. During the December meeting plans for a "Tire Rack Street Survival" event were initiated and we should hear an update on its progress. Work should also be progressing on getting some clothing with MVR logos.

Bottom line: racing season isn't here yet, but things are starting to happen., Time to get active.

See you at the meeting.

SCCA Announces BFGoodrich Tires Club Racing Super Tour

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TOPEKA, Kan. (January 20, 2011) – On the heels of the announcement naming BFGoodrich® Tires the Official Street Tire of Sports Car Club of America, the two companies announced the formation of the new BFGoodrich Tires SCCA Super Tour — bringing some of the feel and prestige of the SCCA National Championship Runoffs to key events across the country.

As part of the Super Tour, SCCA and BFGoodrich Tires will embark on a number of marketing, promotional and

ceremonial initiatives to elevate the stature of the select events, making each the "can't miss" event of the season in that Division. The Super Tour will consist of six SafeRacer National Racing Series events in 2011, expanding to nine in 2012 — one in each SCCA Division.

"With the support of our new partner BFGoodrich Tires, we are able to create something that has been missing within the Club Racing program – a defined top-level collection of events not unlike the Tire Rack SCCA Solo National Tour," SCCA President & CEO Jeff Dahnert said. "We're now able to provide many of the things found at the Runoffs – Victory circle celebrations, Live Timing & Scoring and lap notes, special victory lap celebrations, door prizes, parties and more — at some of the top events across the country."

Unlike the Tire Rack SCCA Solo National Tour, in which a travelling operations staff conducts the events separate from the Regional and Divisional schedules, the SCCA Super Tour will be a cooperative effort between SCCA's National office and the host Regions. The Regions will continue to run all event operations, while the National organization will provide additional marketing, PR, promotional and ceremonial support.

The inaugural BFGoodrich Tires SCCA Super Tour season of 2011 will consist of the following events:

Southwest Super Tour: March 6, Texas World Speedway, Lone Star Region
Midwest Super Tour: April 3, Hallett Raceway, Arkansas Valley Race Group
Southeast Super Tour: April 17, VIRginia International Raceway, North Carolina Region
Sopac Super Tour: May 1, Buttonwillow Raceway Park, Cal Club Region
Great Lakes Super Tour: June 12, Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course, Ohio Valley Region
Rocky Mountain Super Tour: July 3, High Plains Raceway, Colorado Region

In the doubleheader events at TWS, VIR, Buttonwillow, Mid-Ohio and High Plains, the second race will be designated as the Super Tour event and Super Sweep qualifier.

BFGoodrich Tires will announce a prize package to top point scorers over the course of the Super Tour at a later date.

More information on SCCA Club Racing is available at www.scca.com.



Nelson Ledges Chaplains Notes

January 2011

I am sure you noticed the new logo adorning this month's muses. This fall, Dan Lacy who many of you know as the SCCA Pro Racing Chaplain started a new ministry strictly focusing on SCCA racing. He desire is to recruit SCCA chaplains around the country as he ministers to the Pro series. Our ministry at Nelson Ledges is a good fit. I would like to thank Richard Anderson and Motorsports Ministries for the past support and pray for continued blessing on their ministries.

Speaking of thank you's, the following is long overdue. After years of driving sabbatical, I greatly enjoyed piloting in the 2009 LeMons race at Nelson. When USED CAR Racing series 24 hour race replaced LeMons for 2010, it was our Dodge Omni team's desire to compete again. Unfortunately, we started much too late to replace the lunched motor from 2009. After much thrashing, it was discovered the clutch was installed improperly and the ship was abandoned a couple of days before the race.

During Friday night practice, I was moping around tending my announcer's duties with Fred Wolfe, who was also announcing. I mentioned that I hadn't realized how much I missed driving. Fred said "I'll get you a ride." I just laughed and said, "Sure!" But shortly after Devin Wilmouth, the captain of the Evil Minions of Nelson team, came by in the tower. Fred asked if they would let me have a shift driving their Honda and astoundingly he said yes. It was now the evil and the good with the chaplain on the team. Later, I found that the Minions were only "evil" because they were racing instead of doing their usual jobs as the Nelson cleanup crew. I volunteered for the 2AM-4AM shift which I had driven the year before as it would not keep the mouth err voice of Radio Free Nelson off the air during broadcast hours.

For the first several hours, the team had major fuel pickup problems and spent most of the time in the pits. I volunteered to give up my seat time since the regular drivers Devin, Eric Fiest, Xavier Hernandez, and Jeremy Cesene has already lost valuable track time. Devin said that he still wanted me to drive but a shorten shift around 4 AM. After grabbing a little shut eye in the front seat of my Mustang (it was much easier when I was in my 20's), I awakened for my shift only to be told it would now be a few hours later. More fitful rest but I finally was driving the EMONS Honda for the first time ever a couple hours after daybreak. Towards the end of my one hour stint I was turning competitive lap times AND, AND I didn't break it or wreck it although I had a pretty hairy tank slapper in the turn formerly known as oak tree. Then it

was back to the tower to finish announcing the race giving first hand experience of what's it like out there. While EMONS ended up the last car running, we did win the coveted *People's Choice* award. It was definitely ironic since I originated the concept of the *People's Choice* while announcing the first Longest Day of Nelson in the early 1980s. However, the ultimate irony was on the victory stand when I was announced as the team's "celebrity driver." Thanks especially to proud new Papa Devin and the whole EMONS team of drivers and the crew including Shaun, Colby, and Andy who made feel so welcome. It was a great event and the most fun I have had a race track in years.

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SCCA Runoffs To Remain At Road America Through 2013

[Club Racing](#) 01/18/2011



Photo: Mark Weber

TOPEKA, Kan. (January 18, 2011) – Sports Car Club of America, Inc., announced today that the SCCA National Championship Runoffs® will remain at Road America, in Elkhart Lake, Wis., through the 2013 event.

The 48th edition of the event, which crowns National Champions in SCCA Club Racing's 28 National classes, will be held Sept. 19-25, 2011.

The extension to the existing deal, originally a three-year agreement through 2011, assures that the premier event for amateur road racers in North America will remain in Wisconsin through the event's historic 50th running.

"Feedback from competitors and our members indicated that we should extend our relationship with Road America, but the reality is, assuring that the 50th Runoffs is at a track with an equal amount of history and significance is a natural fit," SCCA President & CEO Jeff Dahnert said. "The 2013 event will be a historic milestone for both the Runoffs and Road America, and we're looking forward to sharing it, and the next three Runoffs, with them."

More than 600 competitors participated in 28 classes at the 2010 National Championship Runoffs, which included

four days of qualifying and three days of races. Including the 500 volunteer workers that operate the week-long event, the Runoffs serves as the center of the road racing world during that period.

"We've seen some of our season's finest, most competitive racing action during the Runoffs," George Bruggenthies, Road America President, said. "The extension through 2013, including the 50th anniversary, is a great compliment to our organization. We will work closely with the SCCA to plan a celebration that fits the incredible spirit and passion behind SCCA Club Racing."

The SCCA National Championship Runoffs moved to Road America in 2009, following three years of racing at Heartland Park Topeka. Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course (1994-2005) and Road Atlanta (1970-1993) previously hosted the event that alternated in its early years between Riverside International Raceway (1964, 1966, and 1968) and Daytona International Speedway (1965, 1967, and 1969).

Dahnert noted that the SCCA Board of Directors intends to initiate a selection process for the event's location following 2013. That process would likely start in 2012.

More information on the SCCA Runoffs is available at www.scca.com/runoffs.

About SCCA

Founded in 1944, Sports Car Club of America, Inc. is a 45,000 member motorsports organization that incorporates all facets of autocross, rally and road racing at both club and professional levels. It annually sanctions over 2,000 events through its 114 regions and professional subsidiary. Landmark events and series for the Club include the SafeRacer SCCA National Racing Series; the Club Racing National Championship Runoffs® at Road America; and The Tire Rack® SCCA Solo National Championships and ProSolo Championship at Lincoln, Neb. For more information, please visit www.scca.com, on Facebook at www.facebook.com/sccaofficial or on Twitter @SCCAOfficial.

About Road America

Established in 1955, Road America is located midway between Milwaukee and Green Bay in Elkhart Lake, Wisconsin. Its legendary four-mile, 14-turn road circuit has challenged the world's best racers for over 55 years. The 640-acre, park-like grounds offer amazing viewing opportunities, fantastic concessions and high-speed excitement to thousands of spectators each year. In addition to public race weekends, Road America offers Group Event Programs, the Briggs & Stratton Motorplex for karting and supermoto, and the Road America Motorcycle and Advanced Driving Schools. For more information, visit www.roadamerica.com or call 800-365-7223.

Membership Report - Sandi Kryder

We currently have approx. 150 members including dual members.

Welcome new members:

Sandi Pombo
Joey Selmants

Welcome back Constantin Gheorghe

A reminder to the following members with February renewals:

Cynthia Beck
Reed & Sandi Kryder
David & Nancy Meeker
Matt Miller
Brandon Nutter
Kaleb Nutter
Scott Nutter
Vicki Nutter
Sandi Pombo

Happy Birthday Wishes to:

Greg Alley	2/18
David Badger	2/18
Chris Bell	2/14
Mark Fickenscher	2/16
Constantin Gheorghe	2/14
Dave Klein	2/18
Greg Lesky	2/12
Matt Miller	2/16
Bill Pintaric	2/4
Bob Ruman	2/27
Brent Walton	2/28

The following have lapsed SCCA memberships:

Eric Fiest, Michael Petrusko, Christina Henegar

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