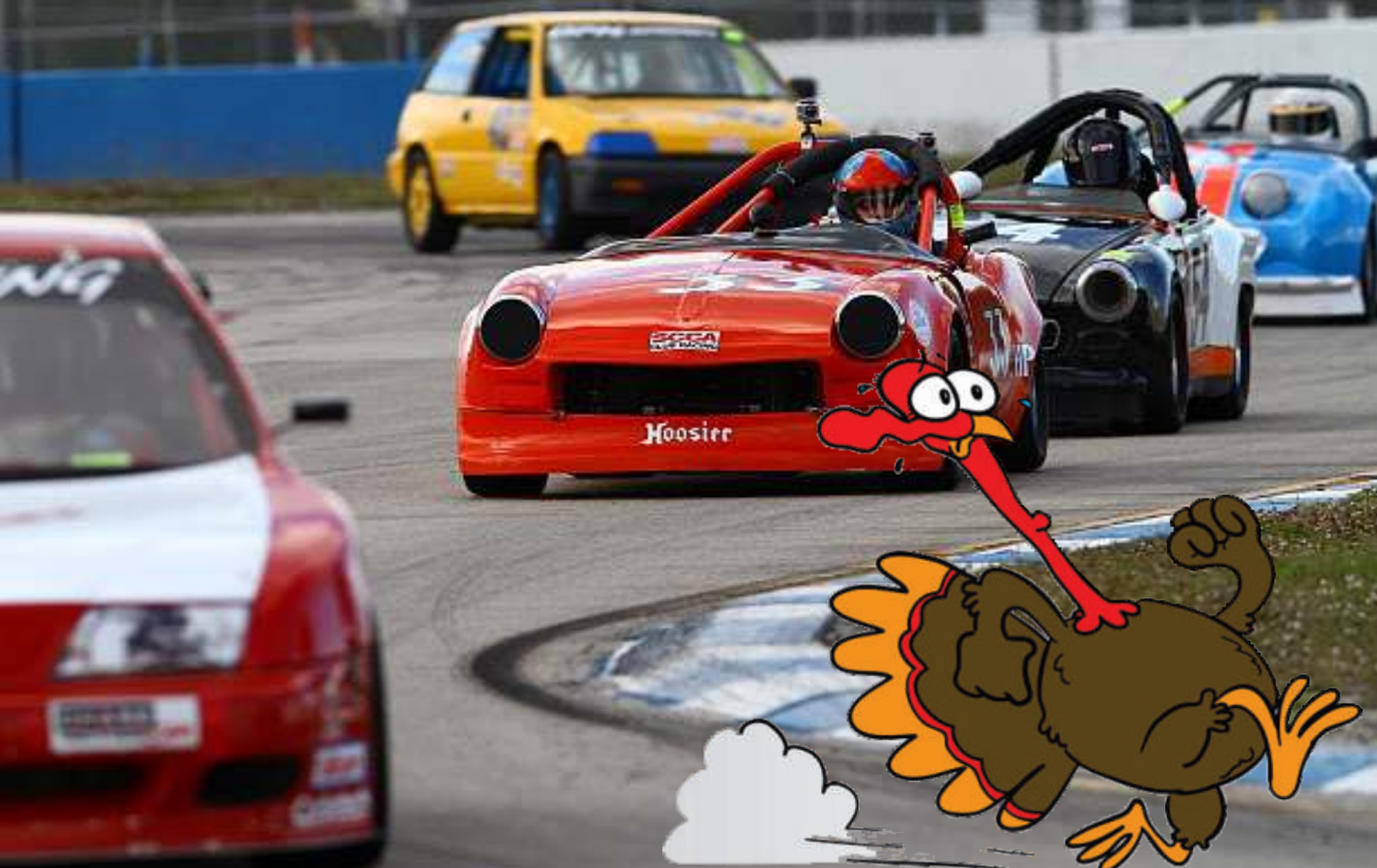


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# SOUTHEAST DIVISION ANNUAL MEETING AND AWARDS BANQUET



January 21-23, 2011  
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<b>FRIDAY</b> , January 21, 2011	6:00 PM to 9:00 PM	Registration and Reception
<b>SATURDAY</b> , January 22, 2011	7:30 AM to 8:30 AM	Registration
	8:00 AM to 5:00 PM	Meetings and Seminars
	6:00 PM	Social
	7:00 PM	Awards Banquet
<b>SUNDAY</b> , January 23, 2011	8:00 AM to 12:30 PM	Seminars and Meetings RE's, DA's & Officials Breakfast and Meeting

***This year's SEDIV Convention will feature individual meetings with the Divisional Administrators, ECR Committee, SARRC Committee, Divisional Solo, Time Trials, Rally Cross, Stewards, Tech, Timing & Scoring, Registration, Flag & Com, Race Control, Newsletters, Membership, and the SCCA National staff.***

The center point of this year's convention will be the Awards Banquet at which all SEDIV National, SARRC, Solo, Time Trials and Rally Champions will receive their awards plus the SEDIV will honor outstanding members with the Reuter, Fitzgerald, Holland, Webb, Director's, & Bobby Clark Awards.

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# When & Where

## District Meeting Times and Places

(See inside front cover for contact information.)

**District 1** -- 2nd Tuesday 7:30 p.m., **Joe's Crab Shack**, 2730 Gulf to Bay Blvd, Clearwater (east of US 19).

**District 2** -- 4th Wednesday 7:00 p.m., **RJ Wings and Things**, 5025 East Fowler Ave, Tampa FL.

**District 3** -- 2nd Tuesday Dinner 6:30 p.m., Meeting 8:00 p.m. **Rossi's Pizza & Pasta** 5919 South Orange Blossom Trail, Orlando.

**District 4** -- Contact Governor for details.

**District 5** -- District 5 Meeting 2nd Monday of the month Dinner 6:30 Meeting 7:30. For Meeting Location contact Jerry Larson District 5 Governor - sunnyday@infionline.net

**District 6** -- 3rd Wednesday, Dinner at 7:00 PM, Meeting at 7:45 **Beef O'Brady's**, 2940 US Hwy 27 N., Sebring.

**District 7** -- 2nd Tuesday, Dinner at 6:00 PM, Meeting at 7:00 PM. **Wong's 8th Wonder Kitchen**, 54 S. Hwy. 17-92 (at Hibiscus), DeBary, FL.

**District 8** -- 2nd Wednesday 6:00 PM **MacDaddy's**, 8951 Daniels Parkway, Fort Myers.

**District 9** -- Call Governor for details.

### New to the club?

For general information on the membership or meetings please call your district governor. Or, if you want to know about a specific "specialty" call the "chief" listed on the inside cover. Use this list and map to find your District:

**District 1:** Pinellas and Pasco County to Port Richey.

**District 2:** Hillsborough and Pasco County except Port Richey.

**District 3:** Lake, Orange, Osceola, and Seminole Counties.

**District 4:** Alacuja, Bradford, Citrus, Dixie, Gilchrist, Hamilton, Hernando, Jefferson, Lafayette, Levy, Madison, Marion, Sumter, Suwanee, Taylor and Union Counties.

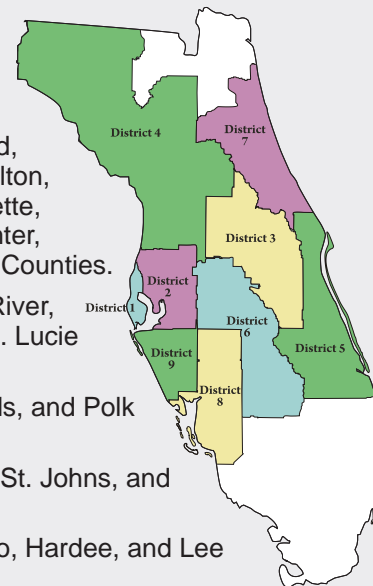
**District 5:** Brevard, Indian River, Martin, Okeechobee, and St. Lucie Counties.

**District 6:** Glades, Highlands, and Polk Counties.

**District 7:** Flagler, Putnam, St. Johns, and Volusia Counties.

**District 8:** Charlotte, DeSoto, Hardee, and Lee Counties.

**District 9:** Manatee and Sarasota Counties.



## Regional Executive Report Chuck Dawson

The Turkey Trot Weekend had a good turnout of cars and workers. This year's Social was a bring-a-dish event in honor of Gail Kasson. Plenty of good food and great people. I'd like to thank Pamela Macgregor and all the folks who helped in putting this event on. It's what club racing is all about - I'm sure Gail was smiling.

Looking forward to the New Year, what a schedule! Daytona should be up and running on the new pavement, so we're going to be busy. The Palm Tree Quad Nationals and the Winter Championship Tour is all set. The entry forms are out on DLB Racing's website.

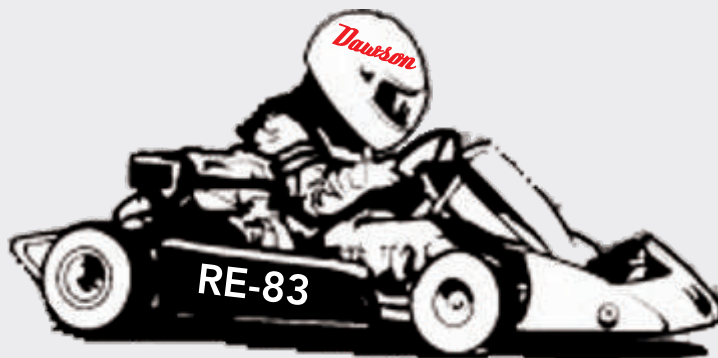
Huge thanks to Lyn Watts who did us all proud with her work on the Annual Meeting in Gainesville! If you didn't make it this year, you missed a great event. And thanks to Randy Pobst for speaking at the Awards Banquet!

In closing, I'd like to thank all the people that made 2010

happen. I hope you had a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year. We are looking forward to having a prosperous 2011 with everyone's help. Remember, the Club is about everyone!

Thanks!

Chuck Dawson





# 2011 Event Schedule

for CFR and Surrounding Regions

<b>January 2011</b>			<b>18</b>	<b>BOG Meeting</b>	
5-6	Test Day - <i>Sebring Long Course</i>	SIR			
7-9	<b>Double National Races</b> <i>Sebring Long Course - 12 Hour Paddock</i>	CFR			
21-23	<b>SEDiv Convention</b> - Jekyll Island, GA				
22-23	<b>SOLO II</b> - Deland	CFR			
23	<b>SOLO II</b> - Brooksville	CFR			
27-30	Rolex 24 Hours At Daytona <i>Daytona International Speedway</i>	DIS			
<b>February</b>					
10-12	<b>SCCA National Convention</b> - Las Vegas				
11	Test Day - <i>Sebring Long Course</i>	SIR			
12-13	<b>SARRC/Regional Races/Vintage</b> <i>Sebring Long Course - Green Park Paddock</i>	CFR			
20	<b>SOLO II</b> - Geneva	CFR			
27	<b>SOLO II</b> - Brooksville	CFR			
<b>March</b>					
12	<b>BOG Meeting</b> - Sebring				
16-19	<b>12 Hours At Sebring - Long Course</b>	CFR			
19-20	<b>SOLO II</b> - Deland	CFR			
27	<b>SOLO II</b> - Brooksville	CFR			
<b>April</b>					
16-17	<b>Driver School</b> - Daytona School Course	CFR			
17	<b>SOLO II</b> - Brooksville	CFR			
24	<b>SOLO II</b> - Geneva	CFR			
<b>May</b>					
7-8	<b>Regional Races/TES Enduro/Solo</b> <i>Daytona Full Course</i>	CFR			
21	<b>SOLO II</b> - Brooksville	CFR			
<b>June</b>					
3	Test Day - <i>Sebring Short Course</i>	SIR			
4-5	<b>Regional Races/Vintage/Solo</b> <i>Sebring Short Course (Solo on 12 Hour Side) Green Park Paddock</i>	CFR			
<b>July</b>					
1-2	Brumos Porsche 250 <i>Daytona International Speedway</i>				DIS
15	Test Day - <i>Sebring Short Course</i>	SIR			
16-17	<b>Driver School/Vintage</b> <i>Sebring Short Course - Green Park Paddock</i>	CFR			
17	<b>Spec Car Challenge Enduro</b> <i>Sebring Short Course - Green Park Paddock</i>	CFR			
17	<b>SOLO II</b> - Brooksville	CFR			
24	<b>SOLO II</b> - Deland	CFR			
<b>August</b>					
6-7	<b>Double SARRC Races</b> <i>Daytona Full Course</i>	CFR			
6	<b>SOLO II</b> - Brooksville	CFR			
21	<b>SOLO II</b> - Deland	CFR			
<b>September</b>					
2	Test Day - <i>Sebring Long Course</i>	SIR			
3-4	<b>Regional Races/CFR Enduro/Vintage</b> <i>Sebring Long Course - 12 Hour Paddock</i>	CFR			
10	<b>BOG Meeting</b> - Orlando				
18	<b>SOLO II</b> - Brooksville	CFR			
25	<b>SOLO II</b> - Daytona	CFR			
24-25	<b>Regional Races</b> <i>Daytona Full Course</i>	CFR			
<b>October</b>					
7-9	<b>Porsche Club</b> - <i>Daytona Full Course</i>	DIS			
21	Test Day - <i>Sebring Short Course</i>	SIR			
22-23	<b>SARRC(2012)/Regional Races Vintage/Solo</b> <i>Sebring Short Course - Green Park Paddock</i>	CFR			
<b>November</b>					
10-13	Historic Sportscar Racing <i>Daytona Full Course</i>	DIS			
20	<b>SOLO II</b> - Deland	CFR			
25	Test Day - <i>Sebring Long Course</i>	SIR			
26-27	<b>Regional Races</b> <i>Sebring Long Course - 12 Hour Paddock</i>	CFR			
<b>December</b>					
2-3	Audi Club <i>Daytona Full Course</i>	DIS			

# ...From the BOG Chair

*by Fran Martin*

The General Membership Meeting and last meeting of CFR's BOG for 2010 were held December 11-12 at our Annual Meeting in Gainesville.

Welcome to Terry Taylor as the new Governor for District 6. The Board thanks outgoing Governor, Berta Sager for her service. The Governors of Districts 2, 4 and 8 are continuing in their positions.

As the re-elected Chairman of your BOG, I would like to express my appreciation for the support and confidence of the Board. Bob Sieck was re-elected Vice Chairman, Jim Magero was approved as Financial Advisor and Robin Langlotz/Robin Ragaglia approved as Race Board Chairmen. Chuck Lutz is our new Solo Chairman and Doug McCabe is our new Rally Chairman.

To summarize:

**Competition Coordinator** - Bill Martin – Our signed 2010 contract with Sebring has been received. We expect receipt of the Daytona contract this month. Last year our volunteers continued to support professional racing events at Daytona, Sebring and St. Pete as well as test days and the Brumos 250. The Region thanks Bill Cannons and his cadre of workers from the east coast who supported these additional events at Daytona.

**Financial** - Jim Magero, Financial Advisor, provided a portfolio review document and reported that CFR's portfolio showed a positive return over the past ten years. Our Treasurer, Robin Ragaglia, provided reports to the Governors including Balance Sheets and a Statement of Revenue and Expenses. Our operating income is directly tied to entry fees. Solo is maintaining good income. We need to continue to be cost conscious and plan for major expenditures.

**Membership** - Joyce Hayward – reported that CFR membership has declined from this time last year. Our Area III Director, Robin Langlotz, reported that our membership was at 2230 as of Oct. 2010 – a loss of about 6% for the year.

**Race Board** - Robin Langlotz - We are on program with our traditional dates and groupings for 2011 and will start the year with a Double National at Sebring, January 7-9. We have seen a slight increase in car counts in last three events – primarily in SM and SRF with the IT cars following. Our endurance series replaces ECR events.

**RE** – Chuck Dawson – Some of the sponsors for our Double National are Appalachian Tire, Sunoco Fuel and Hoosier Tires. The SRF event within the Double National will be called the Dakota Donovan Memorial. Thanks to Al Harhay for initiating the idea and Pam McGregor for spearheading the very successful Gail Kasson Memorial dinner at our Turkey Trot event. We fed 200 plus and there

was plenty of food for all. We are working with the Florida Region to develop the Tropical Endurance Series. It is hoped this partnership will help improve entries for both regions.

**Solo** - Tim Reardon – Solo continued its active program on both East and West coasts. Combining the championships improved the participant level at the Brooksville site. This year there were 24 events averaging 51 cars per event and we now have wireless timing gear. We conducted two Tire Rack Street Survival events and supported the Autism Awareness charity with an event and donation of around \$1200. Current plans for 2011 are to hold two solo events at Daytona in conjunction with other CFR activities. In the planning stages is a PDX to be run at the April Drivers School at Daytona. In 2011 we expect to hold the same number of events as in 2010.

**Other Items of Interest:**

2011 Annual Meeting – site TBA.

2011 BOG dates are March 12th – Sebring; June 18th – TBD; September 10th - Orlando I4/Hwy.27 and December 11th - TBD.

For more information on the BOG or Membership meetings, please contact the specific Officer, Chief or your Governor.

**THANKS** and a big round of applause to Lyn Watts – Governor District 4 and the many helping hands for putting together a most successful and enjoyable weekend. Randy Pobst (well-known graduate of CFR's Solo Program) spoke at the Awards Banquet and shared some of his racing experiences with us.

**Congratulations** to our Solo and Race Champions as well as to individuals receiving special awards for 2010:

**Worker of the Year**  
**Ricky Watts**

**Distinguished Service Award**  
**Tim Reardon and Dat Nguyen**

**Hall of Fame**  
**Gail Kasson**

I hope all of you enjoyed the Holidays. Thank you for continuing to volunteer your time and efforts to make CFR such an outstanding Region. We look forward to seeing you at our next events.



Fran Martin  
Chairman, CFR BOG

# Did You Know...

**For those of you who weren't there**-you missed it. The best Saturday dinner I've ever had at a race track. The SCCA workers, sparked by Pam MacGregor, outdid themselves. Many choices of meats and other goodies including sweet potatoes and a full table of desserts.

Not only did everyone who was there eat their fill, they hauled what was left down to a homeless shelter and fed about another 130 people.

Well done people!

Fritz Baker

**Despite these tough economic times**, a driver, who wishes to remain anonymous, donated \$1,000 to CFR to provide Worker Awards at this year's Awards Banquet!

### Dear SCCA Family -

Thank you very much for thinking of me during this sad time. My sister was a beautiful person, she will be missed by many and especially me.

The plant arrived and it is beautiful. Bob and I love gardenias.

Joyce & Bob Hayward

Wanda Cecil's Mother passed away recently.

Many of our members in Central Florida Region know Wanda very well. She was the Buccaneer Region Registrar for many years, was the SEDIV Registration DA for several years, and now is the SCCA National Administrator of Registrars. If any one would like to send a card to Wanda her address is: 1040 Slate Stone Trace, Columbia SC 29203

Joyce Hayward

### We have 4 "Golden Members"

#### **Norman D. (Grumpy) Esau**

Joined SCCA 52 years ago in May 1958.

#### **Arnold Winkelman**

Joined SCCA 51 years ago in September 1959.

#### **Fred Fiala**

Joined SCCA - 50 years ago in August 1960

#### **Charles L. Earwood**

Joined SCCA 50 years ago in November 1960

**Michael Wingo organized a jam session for the Turkey Trot social. All the participants this time were workers.**



Michael Wingo - Bass  
(above)



Paul Gatenby & John Anderson  
(left)

Photos by:  
Susan Young & Deb Wiggins



From l to rt: Dave Fredrick, Michael Wingo, Charlene Free, Deb Wiggins (behind), John Anderson, Paul Gatenby.

**Berta Sager and Reid Milburn got married on Dec 18th in Lake Placid, FL**



Photo by Theresa Lucas, Flutter-Fotos



# Flag Ravings

by Sally Larson

AS A NEW YEARS RESOLUTION - it's time to check that gear. Essentials like rain gear, preferably with no rips or tears, extra scanner batteries, sunscreen and mosquito 'stuff'... and be sure to add any medicines you might need, and a medication list in case of accident. Be sure to add aspirin to your med list if you take it regularly - that's important for any medical personnel to know. Also throw out any left over snacks you have in your gear ... if you didn't eat them last year, it's a good bet you won't even consider consuming them now - all they're good for is ant bait. Last year's sun screen needs to be replaced too - It doesn't improve with age. It should be broad spectrum with a minimum SPF of 30 for adequate protection. Check for an expiration date on the container or label.

When I first started Corner Working, the Chief suggested carrying dry socks in your gear bag or bucket. Whereas this sounds like a good idea, I found it is an exercise in futility. So you have dry socks which you put on wet feet, compounded by the wet shoes you have to stuff your feet into. Scratch the socks idea. Remember for the 24 hour and the 12 hour, we'll have many Northern folks working with us... remind them to use the aforementioned sunscreen early and often and share yours if needed. They're not used to a sunburn in midwinter.

'T WAS THE SEASON: With the Turkey Trot race on the long course at Sebring, every pair of hands and feet were appreciated. The race was our swan song for the season and we had one whole month off before the Nationals in January.

This year in memory of Gail Kasson, we initiated a pot luck dinner ... and all that participated in the event from set up to clean up are thanked as well as everyone bringing food to share. It was a real family event which would have brought a smile to Gail's face. I know she'll be with us in spirit always, just as she was in life.

Remembering Gail, makes me think of a saying that illustrates her life... "if you throw a pebble into a still pond, ripples extend far out influencing everything in their path." What we do, say and are makes an impact on many more people than we can ever imagine. That was Gail's life and in the words of Christopher Robin .... "you're braver than you believe, stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think."

TIPS FOR ROOKIES...REMINDERS FOR VETS: For Pro Races where you're on station for many hours... don't neglect your own comfort. Heavy rain/strong winds, heat and cold have to be taken into consideration. Not only will you be more comfortable and happy, but you'll be more efficient too. Here are some tips (thanks to Assistant Flag Chief, Jim Hooker... and from my own experience). To keep your head and hat dry, get a large shower cap... or

snag one from your motel. It will fit over your hat and probably over the brim, and maybe over your headset too. To keep yourself in the loop, cover the mike with a small plastic bag or balloon when you communicate.

As for Victory of da' feet ...save the plastic bags that come with your newspaper. One size truly does fit all. Slip them over your dry socks and use rubber bands or tape to hold them up. Stuff your feet suitably protected into your shoes. It all goes well, you'll be humming 'how dry am I' I also spray my shoes and any canvas gear bags with Camp Dry water repellent spray. I can't guarantee how well any of these things work, but hey, you have the satisfaction of knowing you're tried everything possible to avoid feeling wet and miserable.

READ IT AND WEEP - For all RV or Motor Home owners: Jerry went to fill the RV gas tank for the Turkey Trot weekend. Shortly thereafter he called .... the RV had stopped dead, in the middle of the road for no good and apparent reason. I asked if he could get it to the side of the road. As he put it 'no way can I push this (expletive deleted) over to the side by myself.'

He said 'who do I call?' Now you know, the first reply that popped into my head was ....ghost busters but I wisely refrained from that answer. I told him where the card and info were and he couldn't find it. OK, I said "let me look and I'll give you the number to call... got a pencil?" No writing tool was available. I then said I'd call and have them call him (if he wasn't dead from being hit and toppled in the road). I located the RV emergency road service card and made the call.

The first thing the agent said was ...' if he's in the road, has he called the police? No.... well have him call them first.' I'd haved called the police myself but Jer hadn't given me his exact location and a BOLO for disabled RV on some road... some where in Brevard County wouldn't help much.

Then I noticed our service card expiration date was 9/10. Oh Good Grief, had it expired? I immediately called customer service to plead my case. She checked and said that our card didn't expire until 2011. The Race Gods were with us! Then Jer called ... said he'd gotten the RV started just as a police car happened to go by and he had been able to pull it into Lowe's parking lot. He said he'd found the card in the door pocket, called the number and talked to the technician who was sending a tow vehicle since Jer didn't dare drive it solo to the RV place in case it went paws up again. Jerry thought it was in the electronics in the RV ... \$\$\$ plus down time. A good time was NOT had by all!



Turns out the Race Gods again smiled on us ... the problem was in a vehicle computer which was still under warranty. End result Jerry joined up with another driver who towed the race car to the track .... whereupon the race car got 'sick' during the first practice and officially expired prior to any racing.

**THE CFR ANNUAL MEETING IN GAINESVILLE:** Congratulations and many thanks to District 4 who were hosts for the weekend. A lot of work goes into arranging everything for the weekend event, and everyone did a great job. At the General Membership meeting on Saturday many items were discussed such as driver and worker insurance, the State of the Financial State of CFR, Checker publication, the racing schedule and track contracts for 2011. There was a good turnout and good information, was shared.

The Awards Banquet Saturday night had overflow attendance. Chairs were added to most of the tables to fit folks in. Actually that worked out well - the weather was just plain cold and any extra body heat was appreciated. Congratulations to all the Award Winners for an excellent competition year.

Gail Kasson was named to the CFR Hall of Fame for her many contributions to the club during the many years she was a member. Jan Rawls and Greg Kasson, her daughter and son, accepted the award on behalf of their mother and Jan shared stories of working with and for Gail.

Randy Probst, well known local driver and noted pro driver, was the quest speaker and did a great job. Randy told of his starting to race locally in the SOLO program and confirmed that SOLO drivers often made the best race car drivers. He ended his presentation with an interesting observation. Randy said there is a big difference between a driver who intimidates and one that is a terrorist. Intimidation has rules and respect for other drivers.... whereas a terrorist operates as though he or she is the only driver on the track and demands that other cars get out of the way ... often to the point of forcing them off the track. Good point and Randy proves it by talking the talk and walking (or driving) the walk. He's a true professional.

**ENTER 2011:** Resolve to enter and work as many races as possible. Participating means more entrants and great racing plus adds to the coffers of CFR, and in working, many extra pairs of hands, feet and eyes make things safer for all. And above all ... remember to 'be careful out there! Best wishes for a Happy, Healthy and Winning New Year!



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# Goblin' Up the Action in Sebring

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Dave Hussey's beautiful paint job on his EP Acura.



Mike Flynn in his usual form - 1st. on Saturday.



It was good to see a Cobra again - Tom Lavell



Bill McGavic on the line in Turn 17A.



Ed Diehl seems to have evicted most of the gremlins from his Mazda.



John Branscombe all the way from Nottingham, NH - Corvette C5.

# Trottin' for Turkey?

Photos by Bill Martin



Pace One brings the pack around for Start of the Group 4 race.



Chad Galloway, Dave Helmick and Bill Ladoniczki in 17A.



In good shape for the Start, Reed Wilson and Richie Stanley on the inside.



Joel Ladoniczki lost his rear bodywork in the early going.



Lee Hill in 17A



Michael Marks and Thomas Main, eventually 16th & 17th.

# Turkey Trot

Photos by Bill Martin



Chad Galloway concentrating on the Pit Straight.



The Winner of both Group 4 Races - Mark Eaton.



Still putting it together on the Race Course - Van McDonald.



Jim Higgs and Ray Stephenson close and personal in 17A.



Turn 17A, James Coyne with his VW Golf GTI.



John Leps keeps 'em honest before the Start.

# Remember When...

## 1973 Sebring 12 Hour

Submitted by **Louis Galanos**

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#94 Corvette of Wilbur Pickett and Bill Bean.  
They finished 16th.



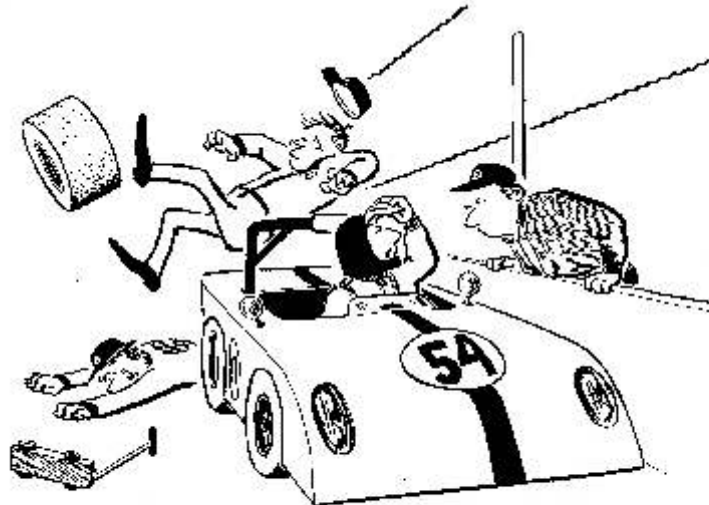
#99 Corvette of Phil Currin, Danny Fortin and Bill Johnson.  
The car finished 11th.



#17 Camaro of Vince Gimondo and Billy Dingman.  
They finished 5th and 1st in class.



#9 Camaro of Ray Kessler and Jim Fitzgerald.  
The car was a DNF.



"I think it might be throwing a little oil."



# Autocross Championship

Photos by Lou Galanos



Ready to Race



Steve Burger



Vintage Datsun



SOLO Action!



Oops...



Glen Minehart

# Gainesville, FL November 14, 2010

Photos by Lou Galanos



Ahmed Elitami working things out.



Mary Wheeler



Jack Neely



Ian Aguila

# Vintage Rules! (& Regulations)

by Bob Shafer

## VINTAGE CLASS RULE CHANGES

Starting with the CFR February 2011 regional race, a new set of car prep rules for Vintage cars will be effective with the major change being raising the cutoff date from cars manufactured in 1972 to those produced through 1985. All cars in the group from '72 to '85 will however have to be prepared to SCCA standards for 1972. Basically, this means modifications will be limited to what we currently refer to as IT rules, in reference to body mods, engine prep, tires, etc.

Central Florida region along with Florida region are currently the only SCCA SE division regions running Vintage races on a regular basis. We have a very committed, but small group, of active drivers and are hopeful that allowing newer cars will increase our entry numbers and still maintain the vintage race philosophy. I might touch on that for a moment. I have raced in SCCA since the mid '60's in a variety of classes and currently race a '69 Porsche 911 in Vintage. For those of you who view Vintage as a parade of old cars, I can assure you that is not the case. The intensity of CFR Vintage racing is just as high as any other class with one exception, which is that we strive to drive in a manner to eliminate all body contact.

We welcome drivers who have the ability to run competitively and at the same time have their race car under complete control. Drivers with "a win at all cost mentality" are discouraged from running in SCCA Vintage racing.

You can race in the Vintage class with any SCCA license, national, regional, vintage or novice. We also accept SCCA members with a VMC license.

Another significant rule change is we now accept dual eligible cars. Cars can run in the vintage class and any other class they are eligible for as long as they meet Vintage requirements.

### Vintage races for 2011 are as follows:

Feb 12-13	Sebring Long Course
June 4-5	Sebring Short Course
July 16-17	Sebring Short Course ( <i>with drivers school</i> )
Sept 3-4	Sebring Long Course
Oct 15-16	Sebring Short Course

A complete set of prep rules can be found on the CFR website. If you have specific questions, please contact me at 863-465-5565. **Bob Shafer, Vintage Drivers Rep**

## SCCA

### CENTRAL FLORIDA & FLORIDA REGIONS VINTAGE COMPETITION VEHICLE PREP RULES

#### VEHICLE ELIGIBILITY:

1. All production based cars manufactured through 1985, but prepared to no later than 1972 specs.
2. Sports Racers manufactured through 1972.
3. Formula cars manufactured through 1972, except as follows:
  - a. Club Ford as defined by SCCA SE Division rules.
  - b. FV only through 1969.

**DRIVERS LICENSING:** As specified in the events listed supplemental regulations or an SCCA member with VMC member club license.

**DUAL ELIGIBLE CARS:** Cars eligible for both vintage racing and some other class are allowed. However, the car must conform to ALL Vintage regulations and the driver racing in the Vintage class must be approved by the Vintage driver representatives.

**OTHER SAFETY EQUIPMENT:** Many other topics such as driver restraints, driver's gear, window nets, arm restraints, fuel cells, etc, are no longer listed here as they are adequately covered in the SCCA General Competition Rules (GCR). The GCR is available on line to both SCCA members and the general public. Listed here are topics either not satisfactorily covered for vintage cars or for which our rules are different.

**ROLL BARS:** Per Appendix Z of the vintage Competition Rules. Minimum requirements consist of a Main Hoop and one or two rearward support tubes. Subject to the approval of Tech inspection, tubing size per current GCR. Roll cages are allowed and encouraged...

**FIRE EXTINGUISHERS:** All cars must be equipped with a dry chemical fire extinguisher of at least 2 lbs securely mounted in the cockpit or an onboard fire system per current GCR.

**BODY:** No modifications from original, such as contemporary flares, spoilers or air dams are permitted. The use of substitute materials such as aluminum or fiberglass in the place of steel solely for the purpose of vehicle weight reduction is not allowed, unless car was



**WHEELS:** Cars must run on wheels of the same size as were made available from the manufacturer at the time. Reference is made to rim width, diameter and offset as specified in the manufacturer's homologation statement. A rim width of up to +1½" wider may be used for safety purposes. Wheel diameter may also vary 1" in either direction to accommodate tire availability.

**TIRES:** Full treaded racing tires or DOT radials with a minimum of 2/32 tread depth and a minimum marked aspect ratio of 45. Radial slicks or any of the following are prohibited: Goodyear 05/CS, Hoosier DOT radial, Kumho V710 and other cheater slicks DOT tire. Sports racers and formula cars may run on slicks if they had done so prior to 1972. FF, CF and FV must use treaded tires.

**ENGINE:** The entrant must certify the correct engine displacement. The entrant shall have the option of fitting any substitute engine providing that size/type engine was used during that specific vehicle's competition history and during the dates of the car's vintage eligibility. In the spirit of historic preservation and fair play, participants will assume responsibility for keeping their equipment as close to original as possible.

**IGNITION:** Ignition system must be the original type as raced. MSD-type systems may be used in place of original CD boxes, but distributor-type systems must remain in place. Crank-fire ignition systems are specifically disallowed.

**SUSPENSION:** All steering and suspension components will be properly fitted with no excessive wear or play. The system of suspension (spring type and number) must not be altered nor shall additional location or springing devices be added unless a factory option. No coil-overs unless the car was homologated or originally fitted with such shocks. Tube type shocks may be substituted for lever action type. Sway bars and bushings are free.

**TOWING EYES:** Per current GCR.

**BRAKES:** Braking system must be per the year of homologation for the vehicle mode. Dual master cylinders may be used for safety purposes. Disc brakes are permitted when it can be shown they were available as a regular production option during the year of homologation. Brakes must be original size and manufacture as raced.

**MODIFICATIONS:** Any modification to engine, body, suspension or brakes updates the vehicle eligibility date to the year that modification was available for that specific vehicle and could make the vehicle ineligible for vintage competition.

#### **GENERAL:**

- A securely fastened catch tank with a minimum capacity of 1 qt. each is required for both engine and radiator. (if used).
- Each carburetor must have its own throttle return spring in addition to the single linkage spring.
- Under trays must have drain holes
- Wheels must be free of cracks and faults.
- Wire wheels: Spokes must be properly tensioned with no broken or missing spokes.
- No oil, fuel, water or fluid leads of any kind will be tolerated.
- All cars must be fitted with at least one brake light in working order. Formula cars excepted
- All fuel filler caps must be securely fastened so as not to open on impact. Monza type (quick release) caps must be wired shut.
- Batteries must be securely fastened down. Those located in the cockpit must be covered or have leak proof caps. All terminals will be adequately protected from the possibility of electrical shorts.
- Cars must be presented in a neat and finished condition. Engine compartment, suspension, chassis and driveline must be clean enough to facilitate inspection. Cables, wires and hoses must be taped or otherwise secured to prevent chafing, etc.
- All cars must display legible numbers and SCCA decals on both sides of the vehicle. SCCA "Wire Wheel" decal is acceptable in Vintage. Florida Regions "Vintage Racing" sticker is recommended as class designation.
- All cars must use an working AMB transponder. Failure to do so will result in no lap times or lap counts being taken or scored.

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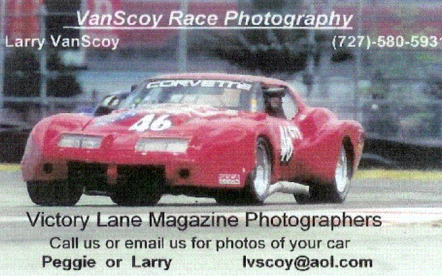
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FAX # \_\_\_\_\_ SCCA Membership # \_\_\_\_\_ (required)

2010 Races Entered- Track-----Date-----Finish Position ----Class

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_

What series did you run in 2010? National \_\_\_\_\_ SARRC \_\_\_\_\_ ECR \_\_\_\_\_ Regional \_\_\_\_\_
Did you enter----- The SCCA Runoffs \_\_\_\_\_ The SARRC Invitational Challenge \_\_\_\_\_

Mark the applicable- In 2011, I will compete at- National Race only \_\_\_ Regional Race only \_\_\_ Both \_\_\_.

Regional drivers including ECR and SARRC, if you live in Florida and competed at a track outside the state
Where and when? \_\_\_\_\_

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Permanent number held in 2010 \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_ # of years with this # \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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