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## NATIONAL RALLYCROSS NEWS SCCA FLORIDA REGION/CENTRAL FL REGION

**February 26-27, 2011  
8000 Hwy 70  
Okeechobee, FL 34974**



**Well here we go!!!** After alot of contacting and meeting with many who are involved with the club, we have started on CFR Rally cross Season 1.

The Regions first event will be a **SCCA NATIONAL RALLYCROSS AT THUNDERCROSS** on February 26 and 27, 2011, it is located at 8000 HWY 70 in Okeechobee, Florida 34974.

This being run as a Co Event with Florida Region. We will be doing Region Points and have some sponsorship for year end awards. After this we are looking at a April date in the northern part of the Region. Again the requirements for Rally Cross are very similar to Solo except for needing a hardtop. The course is coned off with gates to define the course. All are welcome to come out and see this first hand and see why it is such a popular event.

These events seem to span the interest of the whole club, as it gives Solo/Road Race/and Rally a place to compete to see who is fastest! We might also get to throw in a Challenge event between the programs, and maybe a Challenge with the Members and the Board. we will see what we can get lined up yet this season.

We will have coverage of our Event in the Newsletter. Hope to see some of you at our first Event. If anyone has questions, you can email me at [big.wrench.1@gmail.com](mailto:big.wrench.1@gmail.com).

***Happy trails!***

Doug McCabe Rally Chair

# Club News

**Welcome New Members**  
***Joyce Hayward***

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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.

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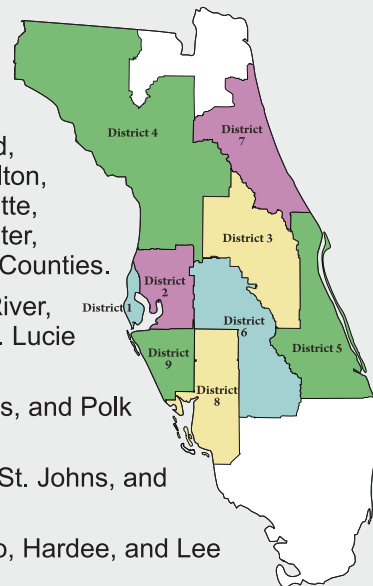
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**District 6:** Glades, Highlands, and Polk Counties.

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

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

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



## NEWS FROM THE PITS ON THE DAYTONA 24 HOUR RACE EVENT

By Pamella MacGregor – Pit Chief

I want to thank everyone that responded from the email notice for more volunteers to this event. The response was over whelming with over 45 calls and emails. We ended up with 16 volunteers in the Pits. I am hoping the drivers that responded but changed their minds, or were notified the list was full, will try again and come to Sebring anytime and learn what we do and why.

Also, thanks to Lee Hill for distributing my plea to over 600 members on the Driver list. Thanks to Chuck Dawson for breaking the Ice with Daytona and Carla for the Meals. Thanks to Richard Kasson for the Radios, equipment and Golf Carts. Thanks to Bill Martin for working with me to understand all the details of credentialing for volunteers to work the pits at a pro event. Whew! There is a lot to remember for next year.

This was my first time experience to Chief a pro event; and I can say, I did not know what I did not know until now. Next year, I can say for the pit volunteers, will be better planned and distress emails will not have to go out. Keep my number and if you ever want to work any event in the pits please let me know my email PMac06@verizon.net.

Thanks again to all Pit Marshalls (New & Old) that made it to the list, you were GREAT! Thanks to the shift Chiefs, Jim Kosco and Kevin Smith for the training and support for the new workers and dealing with the issues of getting to and from the compound. Thanks for taking care of issues I was too busy to even think about. My hat goes off to all of you, you made SCCA look GOOD! We do, do it best!

As for me, this was the best experience I have ever had. Many people have said how much fun it was this year. I hope more volunteers come out next year and to more of our events and socials. Driver's you are welcome and wanted at our pizza party. It's not dinner, but a good start. *Thanks again, see you at the next race.*



# 2011 Event Schedule

## for CFR and Surrounding Regions

### February

10-12	<b>SCCA National Convention - Las Vegas</b>	
11	Test Day - Sebring Long Course	SIR
12-13	<b>SARRC/Regional Races/Vintage</b> <i>Sebring Long Course - Green Park Paddock</i>	CFR
20	<b>SOLO II - Geneva</b>	CFR
27	<b>SOLO II - Brooksville</b>	CFR

### March

12	<b>BOG Meeting - Sebring</b>	
16-19	<b>12 Hours At Sebring - Long Course</b>	CFR
19-20	<b>SOLO II - Deland</b>	CFR
27	<b>SOLO II - Brooksville</b>	CFR

### April

16-17	<b>Driver School - Daytona School Course</b>	CFR
17	<b>SOLO II - Brooksville</b>	CFR
24	<b>SOLO II - Geneva</b>	CFR

### May

7-8	<b>Regional Races/TES Enduro/Solo</b> <i>Daytona Full Course</i>	CFR
21	<b>SOLO II - Brooksville</b>	CFR

### June

3	Test Day - Sebring Short Course	SIR
4-5	<b>Regional Races/Vintage/Solo</b> <i>Sebring Short Course (Solo on 12 Hour Side) Green Park Paddock</i>	CFR
18	<b>BOG Meeting</b>	

### July

1-2	<b>Brumos Porsche 250</b> <i>Daytona International Speedway</i>	DIS
15	Test Day - Sebring Short Course	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 - Brooksville</b>	CFR
24	<b>SOLO II - Deland</b>	CFR

### August

6-7	<b>Double SARRC Races</b> <i>Daytona Full Course</i>	CFR
6	<b>SOLO II - Brooksville</b>	CFR
21	<b>SOLO II - Deland</b>	CFR

### September

2	Test Day - Sebring Long Course	SIR
3-4	<b>Regional Races/CFR Enduro/Vintage</b> <i>Sebring Long Course - 12 Hour Paddock</i>	CFR
10	<b>BOG Meeting - Orlando</b>	
18	<b>SOLO II - Brooksville</b>	CFR
25	<b>SOLO II - Daytona</b>	CFR
24-25	<b>Regional Races</b> <i>Daytona Full Course</i>	CFR

### October

7-9	<b>Porsche Club - Daytona Full Course</b>	DIS
21	Test Day - Sebring Short Course	SIR
22-23	<b>SARRC(2012)/Regional Races Vintage/Solo</b> <i>Sebring Short Course - Green Park Paddock</i>	CFR

### November

10-13	<b>Historic Sportscar Racing</b> <i>Daytona Full Course</i>	DIS
20	<b>SOLO II - Deland</b>	CFR
25	Test Day - Sebring Long Course	SIR
26-27	<b>Regional Races</b> <i>Sebring Long Course - 12 Hour Paddock</i>	CFR

### December

2-3	<b>Audi Club</b> <i>Daytona Full Course</i>	DIS
11	<b>ANNUAL MEETING</b>	



# District News...

On Tuesday Jan 11, **District 1** had it's meeting at Joe's Crab Shack in Clearwater. There were 28 people in attendance.

Governor Ron Offutt reported on the competitor turnout for the Turkey Trot, and the Jan Nat'l that just took place at Sebring.

Also business topics from the annual meeting were highlighted, and preparations for the Daytona 24.

At the same time as we staffed the January club event at Sebring, we also staffed Grand Am test days at Daytona.

The Gail memorial cookout social event was a big success in many ways. Many people contributed to the success of the social. But we want to thank Pamella MacGregor for her acting as coordinator, and the Dawson family for contributing their time and equipment.

The annual meeting was a great success as well, and kudos to Lyn and Ricky Watts.

The guest speaker Randy Pobst helped present the driver awards, and hung around in the hospitality suite visiting after the banquet. While speaking he told of many interesting experiences both as an autocrosser and a race driver. And he tied it all together with very clear description of what and how a pass maneuver should be handled by competition drivers.

A good story, and even had a moral at the end.

At the Daytona drivers school weekend in April, there is a performance driving experience (pdx) event planned. We need experienced drivers with a national competition licence to sit copilot as instructors for those people who wish to take their street cars out on the track.

The St Petersburg Grand Prix is the weekend after the Sebring 12 hour.

We need people to volunteer to work the membership booths at both events. We would also like to have some club race cars on display at those booths.

The southeast division meeting is scheduled for Jeckyl Island Jan 22 & 23.

Michael Wingo will be taking over as recording secretary for BOG meetings.

The weekend of April 9th is the planned date for a CFR workers school at Sebring. Pass it along.

Dave Fredrick

**District 3** held its first meeting of 2011 at Rossi's on S. Orange Blossom Trail in Orlando. We saw many of our regular attendees back after the holidays and also welcomed Chuck Lutz - new Solo Chairman.

Gov. Bill Martin reported on the General Membership and BOG meetings - see the recap elsewhere in this Checker. Kudos to Lyn Watts for her work on a great Annual Meeting in Gainesville and many thanks to Randy Pobst for joining us as guest speaker.

We recently completed the first event of 2011 for CFR - a double national at Sebring that had 300 entries from all over including many points north. We were glad that the weather gods saw fit to provide bright, sunny weather - a much welcomed change from the freezing rain of 2010. Robin Langlotz (RBC) reported that our last events have shown a slight increase in entries.

We also supported Grand Am testing at Daytona the same weekend as our double national. Word was that the new pavement is s-m-o-o-t-h with a lot of grip. It promises to provide some really interesting racing this year.

We have new lighting at our building in Sebring thanks to a donation by Bruce Morehead - former RE of CFR. Our Paddock Marshall - Charlie Leonard - has added speakers in the Green Park to improve communications in that area.

Chuck Lutz reported that sanctions are in place for our first solo events - Jan. 22-23 in Deland and Jan 23 in Brooksville. They are also seeing more participants at their events. He said there are two PDX events on this year's schedule and we hope to continue to support the TRSSS programs. The wireless timing equipment is a great improvement.

There was considerable discussion on printing vs. email for the Checker. It is one of the few large expenses of the region that we can control. Do we print quarterly, bi-monthly, go strictly electronic or make no changes? It will always be available on our web site. If you have an opinion, let your governor know via email.

By the time you read this, the 2011 Daytona 24 Hours will be in the books and CFR will have provided professional corner and communications support staff for the event.

Upcoming February 12-13 is our first regional at Sebring. We will race the long course and paddock in Green Park. Following closely will be our first quarter BOG - March 12 and the 12 Hours of Sebring March 16-19.

The fun never stops!



Fran Martin  
Chairman, CFR BOG

# Did You Know...

## Lassally and Conway Achieve a Solid and Positive Finish in the GRAND-AM 200 at Daytona International Speedway

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (January 30, 2011) -Toto Lassally and Craig Conway rounded up a positive race Friday afternoon at Daytona International Speedway. The pairing of experienced racers from the Daytona Beach, Fla. area piloted the No. 39 Automatic Racing BMW M3 to a safe and trouble-free finish. A grid of over 70 cars started the opening round of the Continental Tire Challenge, the GRAND-AM 200. Their pink and black BMW began the challenging race in 28th position and came away with a solid 22nd place GS class finish in a race marked by attrition and a very aggressive environment due to heavy traffic from the ST class entries.

*"It was a lot of fun," Lassally said. "It's like going to a new track because of the new pavement on the circuit. But that was exactly what we were here for, a flat out fun racing day."*

The No. 39 BMW they raced has been around for over a decade, and despite its age, the car behaved reliably, proving that what was once a German student's car has proven to be an unbeatable warrior on the track. It has remained on the Automatic Motorsport's stable for over a decade under Dave Thorton's supervision.

*"Despite the car's age, it has brilliant brakes and great balance," Lassally said. "By the time we understood the car's limit the race was over."*

The lack of arguments against newer and faster cars on the optimistic Automatic Motorsport's entry was replaced with masterful strategy. At one point Lassally was able to place the car in fifth by stretching his pitstop to the very last minute and gaining the benefit of a yellow flag.

*"When the race resumed, the restart was very intense," Lassally said. "I had five cars behind me chasing me like a wolf herd. I let them by, because the idea was to race the car and not end up buying it. The new asphalt completely changes the track. What Craig and myself knew about the track, our old tricks and lines, were useless. It was like learning the track all over again. In the end, pure and exciting entertainment."*

Craig Conway completed half of the race with a clean run. Conway has been a long time friend of Lassally and even raced with the Marcos Racing Team America, an operation managed in the nineties by Lassally and which made a remarkable impact in road racing on American soil in the late nineties.

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# Did You Know...



## ***2011 Rolex 24 from the “Other side of the track”***

Kathy and I got the email from CFR that they needed additional help in the pit area for the Rolex 24 at Daytona. We both signed on.

I have been driving SRF 09 for the past 4 years with Mick Robinson at Robinson Motor Sports and having a great time. Kathy has been with me every step of the way. The Rolex experience, being a pit worker, gave us both a different perspective of Racing.

The work and dedication of the track workers is wonderful to see and appreciate. Pamella MacGregor went through lots of extra time and effort to fill all the slots. Our Pit Marshall, Kevin Smith was constantly checking on us and making sure everything was going well and that we were comfortable with what we were doing.

We were assigned Pit Center, entrance from the hot pits to the paddock. We looked at Start/Finish, and hot pits to either side. Watching a Crew service the cars on pit stops 2 feet away was awe-inspiring.

It was unbelievable being in the center of everything. Monitoring cars and personnel coming and going, watching all the pit stops, Speed Channel news crews doing their thing and having a ring side seat for one of the greatest races in the world.

Every driver should have the opportunity to work the track from the “inside” This experience really makes us appreciate ***“THANKS WORKERS”*** even more.

*Larry Gode*

*Kathy White*





# Flag Ravings

by Sally Larson

**JOIN THE TEAM:** This is an unabashed solicitation for new Corner Workers. We always need/want new Corner Workers to hang out on the Corners with us. Drivers, if you find yourself with a broken car, or CFR members, husbands, wives, family and friends .... come join us as we 'Share the Action.' Here's how... our Flag Chief is Rich Kasson and his contact information is on the first page of the Checker. The only requirement is that you be a SCCA member - the rest is on the job training. Contact Rich and let him know you're interested. There is online registration, just register as a Flagging and Communications Volunteer Worker. A Worker meeting is held Saturday morning about 45 minutes prior to the track going hot. You'll be updated on anything new and corner assignments will be made. The Corner Captain will explain the basics and will pair you with a partner.

You'll probably start out by flagging and will learn the other jobs, safety, and communications which will be added to your skills as you become more experienced. Don't be shy, we all started as novices and have 'war stories' to prove it ... Right, Rich? Plus there is no error you could make that all of us 'pro's haven't made over the years. Warning, Corner worker is quite addictive ... try it, and you may get hooked, as we all are.

And in all fairness, if you look in the Checker, you'll find all the Chiefs of all the Specialties listed. Try out (test drive) any that interest you - you'll be much appreciated by any of the Chiefs. Got questions about rules, tasks, or regulations? Contact the Chiefs or Officials - they're our 'go to' people.

**GREAT RACING:** the Double January National races at Sebring drew over 300 entrants - Congratulations to all the Workers and Drivers who attended.

If you have thawed out after the Rolex Daytona 24 Hour race, put the March 12 Hour at Sebring on your calendar. I don't know where all this frigid weather has come from, but with the long races, dig out your long jons, mufflers, ski jackets and mittens - you'll probably need them all. We don't get warm cabinets to heat and dry our clothes like the Pro Drivers do!

**SO YOU WANT TO BE A RACE CAR DRIVER:** Driving is contagious too. To anyone considering joining the ranks of SCCA Club racers, put the Daytona Drivers' School April 16 and 17 on your schedule. It's always a great weekend and we, as Workers, Officials and Instructors enjoy seeing you progress during the weekend. You'll have a cheering section.

**GOT QUESTIONS?** The CFR Board of Governors has its next meeting in March. Contact your District Governor with any questions or suggestions you'd like passed along to the BOG.

**HERE'S TO YOUR HEALTH:** Now this may sound like what my family refers to as 'nagging, but.... If you have not gotten your flu or pneumonia shot, now's the time to do so.

Currently it's reached epidemic status in the Northeast and South. I blame our cold weather this year, but then, I hate cold anyway.

It seems to have started later in the year and is sure trying to make up time. If you do not take this warning, you may find yourself trying for an appointment in a doctor's office, or stacked like cordwood in your neighborhood Clinic or Doc-in-the-Box, waiting for your turn. There are two types of flu... upper respiratory which makes you bark like a seal and pant with exhaustion when moving from one chair to another. As if that's not bad enough, should you choose to ignore the whole thing, by the time you do give up, you will have acquired a secondary infection like ear ache which makes you hear like you're under water, if you can hear at all or tolerate the pain.

Then there's a violent stomach flu that is also rampant ... it's truly debilitating plus it tends to make you socially unacceptable for polite society in a doctor's office or ER. Your only options are to carry a large barf bag while waiting and also station yourself in sight of the nearest restroom (however you may not find yourself alone in that position...wear your track shoes)

I know whereof I speak.... I lost about 5 pounds in 2 days and was so dehydrated, I was afraid I'd blow away. This is treated by a large infusion of IV fluids which seem to take forever to drip into your body. With the upper respiratory type you're afraid you're going to die ... the intestinal, you almost wish for it.

February is supposed to start the peak flu months ... it's not too late but even more essential to get your flu shot .... in rare cases, if you've been exposed, you can get the flu but it will be a much milder, more manageable and shorter version. The fall down and die version is to be avoided at all costs because not only do you get much sicker, but it seems to hang on and make you feel lousy for forever and then some.

**SUCH SAD NEWS:** Just got word about the death of *Berta Sager* who recently married a Canadian fellow Corner Worker. Berta was always such a vital and vibrant part of our Corner Working Family. She was a talented and beloved Worker, Flag Chief, wife of former Flag Chief Bob, and later took on the Sound Chief role until she passed the job on to Hollye. She was active not only in our region but in many other Club and Pro race Corner Worker organizations. For many years she had some serious medical problems but still remained a Worker and close friend to all in CFR. Our deepest Sympathy and Condolences to all the members of the Sager family and to her new husband; *Berta too, shall always be in our hearts.*

In light of those dear CFR family members we have lost recently, and throughout the years.... let's all take a moment to reflect on the good memories and close bonds we've shared and treasure. Life is fragile - treat each day is a gift ... and make the most of the present.



**SUCH SAD NEWS:** I just received word from one of our members in Ocala, that Bunny Nelson has passed away. You may remember that she and her husband Bob were part of the founding members of CFR.

They served the region in many capacities including Secretary / Treasurer for a number of years. Bob passed away in 2008.

Her niece, Linda Dranchak, 6 Shoal Cove Road, West Bath, ME, 04530 said Bunny was very active up until a week prior to her passing.

The region will send a contribution in her memory to Chan's Hospice.

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# Winter Vacation Double National at Sebring

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The scales opened early and, this year, in the sunshine.



First out Saturday morning were the Formula and S2 cars.



Wally Osinga lost his nose in the first session - came back to take 3rd in FE on Sunday.



Jim Magero had a good day finishing 2nd in GTL with Van McDonald's car.



Paul Mevoli had bad luck with a DNS for the Race.



This is Michael Scornnavacchi from Manheim, PA and his Pontiac Solstice.

# Winter Vacation Double National at Sebring

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A beautiful Ford GT-40 all the way from Germersheim, Germany.



Two out of three Ferraris made it to the Race.  
This is William Wade from Atlanta.



One of two Viper participants, Stan Wilson from Mount Juliet, TN.



The other Ferrari 430, Scott Tucker from Madison, WI.



Ken Bupp headed for the Pit Straight.



Another Viper, David Pantaric from Canfield, OH.



# Winter Vacation Double National at Sebring

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Simon Gregg took the big bore class on both days.



With 49 pre-entered Drivers the F cars saw some close racing.



The Spec Miata Group started the usual bashing with 59 Drivers.



Looks like the rubbing got a bit close at times.



Nice paint job on Whitfield Gregg's Miata from New York, NY.



Turn 15, the airplane pilot had the best seat in the house.

# Winter Vacation Double National at Sebring

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Andrew Von Charbonneau took the SM trophy on Saturday.



Brent Milner had a pretty severely damaged race car to take back to NY.



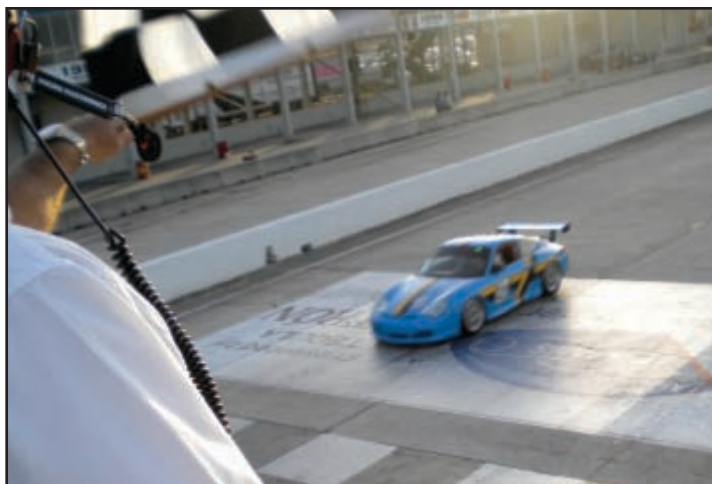
Jacek Mucha from Quebec and his very fast Swift CSR.



The Impound weighing went far into the darkness on Saturday.



Chief Steward, Leland Miller, lays down the law at an impound meeting.





# Remember When...

## Legendary Drivers

*Submitted by Louis Galanos*

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Brian Redman Daytona 1972



Mario Andretti Daytona 1972



Pedro Rodriguez Daytona 1971



Reine Wisell Daytona 1973



Sam Posey Daytona 1976



Tony Adamowicz Daytona 1972

# CFR Sebring Regional-SARRC-Vintage



# Vintage Rules! (& Regulations)

by Bob Shafer

## VINTAGE CLASS RULE CHANGES

Starting with the CFR March 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 SCCASE 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 originally homologated with such items. Advertising is permitted if it is discreet and does not detract from the appearance of the car. Such lettering or graphics will not exceed 100 square inches per side, 200 square inches total. Historically significant markings are encouraged, preferred, and exempt from the 200 square rules.

**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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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? \_\_\_\_\_

Regional drivers including SARRC AND ECR, if you live outside the state of Florida & competed at a track in  
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Permanent number held in 2010 \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_ # of years with this # \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent number requested for 2011 **(Renewal- you need only list your renewal number)**---

**Class** in 2011 \_\_\_\_\_ 1<sup>st</sup> # CHOICE \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>ND</sup> # CHOICE \_\_\_\_\_ 3<sup>RD</sup> # CHOICE \_\_\_\_\_

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

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