

# The Tonneau

LAND O'LAKES REGION, SPORTS CAR CLUB OF AMERICA



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Just because the season is over doesn't mean we don't think about cars!



Minneapolis Auto Show

### Mark Your Calendar!

**LOL Awards Banquet**  
With guest speakers, and  
**Silent Auction**

Friday, January 6 at  
DeGidio's in St. Paul



Prepare for next season (From Derhaag Open House)



Aaron Jongbloedt at the Awards Banquet

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### Ice racing!

Cliff Ebben in 1985

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# RE-PORT

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**Fall is here quickly again.** This is the time of the year that CenDiv creates the Road Racing schedule for next year. I have asked Mark Utecht to be our representative to the CenDiv BOD and he has relayed to the group that LOL is hoping for 2 Road Racing events again in 2012. We are aiming for a Double Rational (with Vintage) over Memorial Weekend and also a Double Regional (with Vintage) over Labor Day Weekend.

**Does anybody else think that Cen-Div had too many races in 2011?**

Does anybody else think that CenDiv had too many races in 2011? Mark and I are of the opinion that the division should be concentrating on holding fewer races to make sure they are all well attended and more easily staffed. What do you all think?

We are heading towards our annual banquet (January 6<sup>th</sup>) as well as the next term for the Land O' Lakes Board of Directors. The terms for Dan Corgard, Jimmy Griggs and Randy Van De Loo are coming to an end and I'd like to thank each of them for a tremendous 3 years. – We have accomplished a whole bunch in that time.

We are looking for some new blood to replace those guys (notice I didn't say fresh meat). I know that many of you could easily be on our board of Directors and help our club to move forward. The time commitment is not that great - we meet once per month as well as have several email conversations per month.

**One of the perks for being on the BOD is a reimbursement towards money spent on events held by our club.** Certainly a little monetary help is welcome for all racers. You will find a nice feeling of satisfaction by being a BOD member and help the rest of the club exercise their passion for motorsports.

I bet I am not alone in already outlining my plans for the off-season. I have a Mustang motor refresh planned. There is some chance I will move out of the Mustang and race my Vintage Camaro next year (in SPO). We will see how the chips fall. Money, time and talent are the only limiting factors for finishing my Camaro. Finding a new owner for the Mustang would help out one or two of those items. Don't worry though. After I finish the Camaro I have plans for another SCCA Class race car, probably an ITR/SPU car.

It isn't too early to think about our events for next year. In addition to our club races there is a pretty good chance we will be helping SCCA Pro again at BIR in 2012. One area that we need to capitalize for any public event is to make sure our club is displayed prominently in order to attract new members. So many people have no idea who we are and what we do – getting the word out is vital to our growth. We are looking to staff up our membership committee to make this happen. Maybe you have an outgoing personality and can help the club at the membership/information booth at events and at car shows this winter? Adding new members makes all of our "jobs" a little easier.

Also, don't forget to use our club's web-site forum to discuss my RE-report items or other club related topics.

Tom Fuehrer

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"Auto racing began 5 minutes after the second car was built." - Henry Ford

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**Land O Lakes Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

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**September 14, 2011**

Meeting called to order by Tom Fuehrer at 7:07 pm.

**Members Present:** Tom Fuehrer, Jim Gillen, Janine Fuehrer, Kathy Gillen, Dan Corgard, Randy VandeLoo, Stacy Scharch, Aaron Jongbloedt, Jimmy Griggs,

**Members Absent:** None

**Guests:** Chris Orr, Blondie Anderson, Paul Fox, Chuck Marcy

**Treasurer's reports** - Posted on web. We did make money from the races this year.

**Web/Tonneau Report:** Website is no longer managed by Tim. Still looking for how to manage this in the future. For the next month or so Kathy and Jim will maintain it. Randy does have a Dreamweaver CS3 license for a Mac.

Next Tonneau will go out as soon as more material is ready. We do want to make sure something about Orly Thornsjo included.

**-Competition Board Report:**

**RallyCross:** Last event had about 22 cars/8 runs at Pine City. Next event 9/25 at the same place.

**Stage Rally:** Nothing to discuss

**Solo:** Last Winona event held a couple weeks ago. We also asked to get a list of LOL members who attended the SCCA Solo Nationals.

**Time Trials:**

**Club Racing:** Pro Event at Brainerd. Discussed a few issues and concerns. Discussed all the new workers and training needed to help them learn the basics.

**Membership Report:** No report on membership. Membership meeting at Derhaugs was held. Still getting mostly existing members. Trying to get the word out to get more people out. Next Open House at Maaco, October 6<sup>th</sup>.

**Marketing Report:** Tom wants to see more staffing for information tables at our events to provide our marketing materials.

**Old Business:**

Equipment project complete for this year. Check finally sent to CRA, and Radios bought.

CenDiv BOD rep is Mark Utecht.

Future board meeting will need to include a phone conference ability.

**New Business:**

Discussed Road racing events for next year. We agree we want 2 SCCA events again, and Pro if they return. Maybe swapping dates around. We specifically need to find a date that is not against the Grattan event.

BOD Elections coming up. Have 2 members who will be completing their second term (Jimmy and Randy). Dan Corgard is also up for re-election.

Goals for 2012 – Auto Shows for next year – question – is World of Wheels still viable. What about the Minneapolis Auto Show? Other events – Car Craft, Need more venues for RallyCross. Solo – maybe an event in Mankato. Marketing, especially for BIR school. And Membership – need to add staff to membership activities.

Equipment for 2012. Discussed headsets, and safety equipment needed. Also discussed T&S equipment.

Meeting adjourned at 8:51 pm

**Land O Lakes Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

**October 12, 2011**

Meeting called to order by Tom Fuehrer at 7:03 pm.

**Members Present:** Tom Fuehrer, Jim Gillen, Kathy Gillen, Dan Corgard, Randy VandeLoo, Stacy Scharch, Aaron Jongbloedt, Jimmy Griggs,

**Members Absent:** Janine Fuehrer,

**Guests:** Chris Orr, Paul Fox, Andy Marchant

**Treasurer's reports** - Posted on web.

**Web/Tonneau Report:** September Tonneau posted on web and linked emailed to mailing list. Next copy will be mailed out, with election and banquet information.

**-Competition Board Report:** New Comp board president will be Jimmy Griggs. Also discussed awards for banquet.

**RallyCross:** Last event was held at Pine City. Still looking for new sites for future events.

**Stage Rally:** No report

**Solo:** MAC last event 2 weekends ago. LaCrosse also done for season.

**Club Racing:** Planning for 2012 season.

**Membership Report:** 467 members.

Membership meeting/open house at Maaco.

**Marketing Report:** Planning for dates next year. Also discussed getting hats and shirts designed for LoL.

**Old Business:**

Website Improvement Plan – no plan completed yet.

BOD Elections – need to replace 3 members.

Goals for 2012

Auto Shows – No World of Wheels? Need to confirm Space at the Auto Show? Need to contact GMADA.

Events – Late Winter, early spring events? Sponsor open houses? BIR road races being discussed at Cen-Div level.

Marketing – More staffing

Membership – More staffing

Equipment – Water extinguisher's, headset's, more rescue equipment. Then there is T&S equipment – will be a major expense, but we need our own. We've had nothing but problems in our efforts to share the CenDiv equipment. Stacy provided several options for what we would need. These options ranged from 12K to 7K. Need to verify with CenDiv what the division plan is for T&S equipment.

**New Business:**

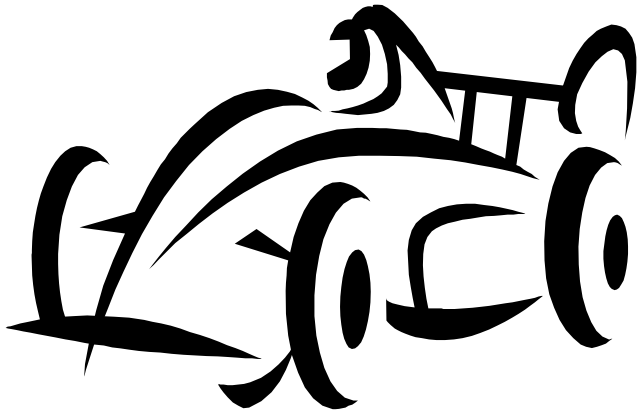
Equipment possession policy – need to ensure equipment is stored safely when not in use.

2012 Road Racing Schedule – Mark Utecht still working with CenDiv. We currently plan on a Double Rational and a Regional event. Also expecting Trans Am at BIR again next year.

Banquet – need to start committee to identify everything needed for banquet.

Board agreed to send flowers for Bill Dalton's memorial.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm



**The Land O'Lakes Region  
of the Sports Car Club of  
America and the Snow  
States Autosports Club**

## The 2011 Year-End Awards Banquet and Annual Meeting

Please join us for a night of awards and socializing; **Guest Speakers and Silent Auction**

We will also be discussing the 2012 Competition Season and the return of SCCA Club Racing to BIR! This event is open to all so bring a friend.

**Friday, January 6 at  
DeGidio's Restaurant  
425 West 7<sup>th</sup> Street  
St. Paul MN 55102**

- 6:00 p.m. Social Hour**
- 7:00 p.m. Buffet Dinner**
- 8:00 p.m. Welcome, Silent Auction, Speakers, and Program**

Menu: Appetizers, Mostaccioli pasta with family recipe spaghetti sauce, Italian sausage & bell peppers, Tender baked chicken, Italian salad, Garlic toast, Frosted brownies, Soda, Juice and Coffee.

Cost is \$25.00 per person.

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Please make checks payable to LOL-SCCA and include with R.S.V.P. below. Please respond on or before December 30, 2010

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### SCCA-LOL Board needs YOU!

Three board members retiring this year and it's YOUR chance to get involved!

Meetings are once a month, and we need your ideas.

If you are interested, please contact Tom Fuehrer at [scca\\_lol\\_re@yahoo.com](mailto:scca_lol_re@yahoo.com) or [racer\\_tom\\_95@yahoo.com](mailto:racer_tom_95@yahoo.com)

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"I've tried everything other than jumping out of a plane, but nothing gives you an adrenaline rush like racing a car." - *Nigel Mansell*



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So when you buy anything from one of our sponsors who helps you prepare for racing, thank them. And if they aren’t sponsors, suggest they jump onboard...and join us as we continue to build the successful racing community in Minnesota!

## ANNUAL AWARD NOMINATIONS

### LAND O'LAKES REGION SCCA and SNOW STATES AUTOSPORTS CLUB

Each award is listed with its description. Please provide the name of the nominee and the reason for the nomination and submit that information to the Competition Board Chair. In order for your nomination to be considered, you must give reasons and examples for your nomination as they relate to the award description.

All nominations will be forwarded to the Competition Board and the Worker Awards Committee for final consideration. The person(s) selected will be announced at the Land O'Lakes/Snow States Autosports Club annual Awards Banquet. Any of the awards may be rested when no member of the region meets the qualifications for the award.

#### SKOGMO MEMORIAL AWARD

Given annually to the MOST IMPROVED DRIVER IN LOL/SSAC. To achieve this award a driver should have made dramatic improvements in a season of competition. The award may go to an average driver of long standing who suddenly becomes outstanding, or one who has shown steady improvement over a season, or to a beginning driver who made outstanding progress during a season.

The Skogmo Award was named in honor of Kristin Skogmo, daughter of LOL racer Don Skogmo. Kristin died as the result of an accident while preparing to attend a race at Road America. The award was established in 1958. Don Skogmo died at Road America in 1966.

#### BROOKE KINNARD TROPHY

Given annually to a driver who most exemplifies the characteristics of the amateur driver. This driver will have shown an ability to overcome adversity, a willingness to help other drivers, an interest in the activities of the Region, and ability and enthusiasm as a driver.

The Trophy was named after Brooke Kinnard, an active LOL member who served as Regional Executive, as well as being an active small production car racer. Brooke loved racing and the people involved in it. He died during the 1965 June Sprints.

#### SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD

Given to a driver, group of drivers or other individual(s) who have shown extraordinary sportsmanship towards a driver or group of drivers. The person(s) selected to receive this award will have shown a willingness to sacrifice for the ultimate good of the sport.

#### JUDY KRAUSE AWARD - Outstanding Worker

Awarded to a worker chosen for his/her longevity, quality, and diversity of involvement in LOL/SSAC.

*The previous recipients choose the individual given this award through the use of the list of nominees.*

#### CREW MEMBER OF THE YEAR

The recipient of this award will be an LOL/SSAC member who serves as a crew member on a racing car. This individual may perform mechanical preparation of the racing vehicle or engage in any number of other functions a crew member may be called upon to perform during an event weekend.

#### ROAD RACING DRIVER OF THE YEAR

Awarded to the outstanding road racing driver who best "carried forth the colors of the LOL Region and SCCA" during the previous season. The road racing driver of the year shall have shown outstanding ability as a road racing driver and participated in the activities of the Region with a positive attitude, serving as an example to others. The recipient will have demonstrated pride in his/her membership in LOL/SCCA through performance as a road racing driver even under the most difficult of circumstances. The Road Racing Driver of the Year shall be outstanding in every respect and shall have served as an inspiration to LOL/SCCA members in every way.

#### SOLO II DRIVER OF THE YEAR

Awarded to the outstanding Solo II driver who best "carried forth the colors of the LOL Region and SCCA" during the previous season. The Solo II driver of the year shall have shown outstanding ability as a Solo II driver and participated in the activities of the Region with a positive attitude, serving as an example to others. The recipient will have

demonstrated pride in his/her membership in LOL/SCCA through performance as a Solo II driver even under the most difficult of circumstances. The Solo II Driver of the Year shall be outstanding in every respect and shall have served as an inspiration to LOL/SCCA members in every way.

### **RALLY DRIVER OF THE YEAR**

Awarded to the outstanding rally driver who best "carried forth the colors of the Snow States Autosports Club" during the previous season. The rally driver of the year shall have shown outstanding ability as a rally driver and participated in the activities of the program with a positive attitude, serving as an example to others. The recipient will have demonstrated pride through performance as a rally driver even under the most difficult of circumstances. The Rally Driver of the Year shall be outstanding in every respect and shall have served as an inspiration to program participants in every way.

### **RALLY CO-DRIVER/NAVIGATOR OF THE YEAR**

Awarded to the outstanding rally co-driver/navigator who best "carried forth the colors of the Snow States Autosports Club " during the previous season. The rally co-driver/navigator of the year shall have shown outstanding ability as a rally co-driver/navigator and participated in the activities of the program with a positive attitude, serving as an example to others. The recipient will have demonstrated pride through performance as a rally co-driver/navigator even under the most difficult of circumstances. The Rally Co-driver/Navigator of the Year shall be outstanding in every respect and shall have served as an inspiration to program participants in every way.

### **ROAD RACING ROOKIE OF THE YEAR**

Given to the road racing driver who excels in his/her first year of driving. The person selected will have overcome his/her fears, shown enthusiasm for driving and the Region's activities, and helped promote the sport of amateur road racing. The person selected must be a driver in her/his first year of SCCA road racing.

### **SOLO II ROOKIE OF THE YEAR**

Given to the Solo II driver who excels in his/her first year of driving. The person selected will have overcome his/her fears, shown enthusiasm for driving and the Region's activities, and helped promote the sport of Solo II. The person selected must be a driver in her/his first year of SCCA Solo II competition.

### **RALLY ROOKIE DRIVER OF THE YEAR**

This award is given annually to the Driver who, in his or her first year of competition in Road Rally, RallyCross, or Stage Rally, has demonstrated exceptional skill and aptitude in rally driving ability.

In addition, this individual will have shown sportsmanship qualities in dealing with all officials, workers, organizers, and other competitors. He/she will have carried the colors of LOL/SSAC forward, and contributed to the betterment of the sport.

### **RALLY ROOKIE CO-DRIVER/NAVIGATOR OF THE YEAR**

This award is given annually to the Co-Driver/Navigator who, in his or her first year of competition in either Road Rally or Stage Rally, has demonstrated exceptional skill and aptitude in rally navigating/co-driving ability. In addition, this individual will have shown sportsmanship qualities in dealing with all officials, workers, organizers, and other competitors. He/she will have carried the colors of LOL/SSAC forward, and contributed to the betterment of the sport.

### **SERVICE AWARDS**

These awards are given to people who have made significant contributions to LOL/SSAC. People receiving multiple nominations and whose contributions committee chairs recognize will be considered for these awards.

**Please send your nominations to Jimmy Griggs, jimmygriggs@gmail.com**

Check out our website: <http://scca-lol.org/>

**Mark your calendar and join us!**

**LOL Awards Banquet P.6**

With guest speakers, and Silent Auction  
Friday, January 6 at DeGidio's in St. Paul

**Nominations/awards needed, P.10**

LOL Board members needed!

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