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SPECIAL BIR RACE EDITION Race Chair Report

Wow—with only 3 weeks left until we race at BIR, I have to marvel at how much has been done. Members, drivers, workers, and volunteers have stepped up to rebuild an event that hasn't happened in 10 (very) long years!

We still have much to do, but we're racing...
Whoo-HOO!

The question is, how can you help? Even if you race in rallies or solo, you can still play at the BIR event. And remember, if you DO volunteer or work at the event, you get in FREE, so step up and join us for a great weekend.

Kathy Gillen
Land O'Lakes Region SCCA
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CHIEFS needed!

We still need Chiefs and Assistant Chiefs in:
Timing and Scoring
Paddock
F&C (Assistant Chief)
Emergency Services (Asst. Chief)

If you, or anyone you know, could step into one of these roles, please contact Kathy Gillen, 763-241-8010, ASAP!

**Mark your calendar!
Club Racing at BIR
July 3 & 4
(Track day on July 2nd)**

Volunteers needed for BIR event!

**Drivers AND workers register at:
<http://www.scca-lol.org/bir-registration/>**

YOU ARE INVITED!!!

BIR Pre-race Picnic for Volunteers, Workers, and Drivers!
(Ok, if you love to race you can come, too)

Hosted by Steve and Patty Barkley

Join us for beer, brats, and talking about our race!

When: Thursday, June 17th, 6:30pm

Where: Steve and Patti Barkley's
1155 Settler's Road
Medina, MN
(763) 478-4638

Bring: chairs (you can bring food/munchies/dessert if you wish but it's not necessary)
Please RSVP (so we know how much food to prepare)
kathy@gillengroup.com with RSVP-BIR in the subject line

If you work (volunteer) you get in FREE!

Register at

<http://www.scca-lol.org/bir-registration/>

It's a great way to be involved and keep racing in Minnesota

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Note from Kathy: EVERYONE listed below has been a HUGE help in making our event a success! Our goal in return is to help their business grow, so be sure to check this list before you hire anyone else! Be sure to mention you are an SCCA member!

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If you would like to reach your ideal audience AND support racing at it's best, contact Kathy Gillen at 763-241-8010 or email kathy@gillengroup.com.

Our packages are affordable, flexible, and best of all, good for 1 year of promotion, INCLUDING the Labor Day Trans-AM event.

Spring Fever RallyCross

On May 15th, the third RallyCross in the Land o' Lakes series was held at Raceway Park in Shakopee. Rallymaster Amy Springer designed a course that challenged all thirty one of the drivers competing at the event. The weather cooperated for a beautiful day of playing in the dirt.

Unfortunately, the site conditions did not cooperate. Once again we faced significant site degradation, in spite of a great effort in course design and a lot of work with the bob cat. The event was still a success.

Finishing first overall was **Mark Utecht** in his 1999 Subaru Impreza. He was followed by the rest of the M4 podium **Dan Gervais** and **Ryan Rose**. Both Dan and Ryan were also piloting Subaru Imprezas. M4 was our largest class with nearly half of the field (15 cars) competing in this class.

The highest finishing two wheel drive car was M2 driver **Brent Carlson** in his 1985 VW gti. Second in M2 and 8th overall was **Aaron Jongbloedt**, also in a VW. Finishing third in M2 and 11th overall was **Dan Drury**. Dan was driving Brent's gti.

Brian Chabot finished first in PA, beating out car owner **Dave Goodman** by just three tenths of a second. Both Brian and Dave were driving Dave's Subaru WRX.

Steve Meschke took first in SA, followed by **Dustin Nevenon**. Third in SA was won by **Kristopher Yahner**. All SA podium finishers were driving Subaru's.

Michelle Martin took home another first place victory in SF, beating out **Rama Kommineni** by six seconds.

Special thanks go out to **Dave Goodman** for coordinating the event and **Amy Springer** for being the RallyMaster. Our safety stewards were **Denny McGinn** with some help from **Mark Utecht** and **Brent Carlson**. Brent Carlson also spent a lot of time on the skidder to repair the ruts and make the course as safe as possible. Working registration were **Carrie Carlson** and **Amanda Ingle**. Amanda, **Mary Utecht** and **Amy Springer** worked timing.

Thanks to everyone who came out and we look forward to seeing you on July 25 at the Isanti County Fairgrounds!

Carrie Carlson, SCCA Correspondent

Sturculinus Creek Rally

On May 1st, rallymaster **Mike Thompson** put on a phenomenal road rally in western Wisconsin. Sturculinus Creek was a collaboration between Land o' Lakes region, our Lac Crosse Chapter and Stella de Norde. Registration took place in Pepin, Wisconsin. It was a great event with a great turn out. There were so many cars that entered, nineteen total, that the end point had to be moved to Slippery's in Wabasha because the original post rally hang out couldn't hold enough people!

The rally was a 'Monte Carlo' style road rally with a twist. The twist was that instead of being given a time and mileage for each control, we were given the time to each control and the location of it on a map. For some of us, it took a while to get the hang of it, for others it came naturally.

Congratulations to the team of **Amanda Ingle** and **Ben Slocum** for a finishing first overall in their first road rally together. Also of note are first time road rally competitors **Dan and Sara Drury** who took first place in the Novice category.

Carrie Carlson, SCCA Correspondent



The Mayhem Chicks...live and in person!

ASK the Mayhem Chicks!

The Mayhem Chicks are Mary Utecht, Amanda Ingle and Carrie Carlson. We are three of the regular crew members for Mayhem Racing. We are also very involved in our local SCCA region. Mary is currently the RE of Land o' Lakes region. Carrie is the treasurer for LOL and also on the board of Snow States Autosports Club. All three are active in organizing the Nemadji Trail Rally Series, as well. We can be seen at

any number of SCCA and Snow States events throughout the year.

What is your secret to cooking what looks to be delicious food at RallyCrosses, Stage Rally and Club Racing Events?

Great question. Let us share a little secret with you. Mayhem is really an eating team with a racing problem. We think we eat pretty well and have figured out some pretty nifty tricks to make our lives easier at events. Because we don't want to have cold sandwiches for every meal at every event, we had to come up with something better. Our solution follows.

We like to cook in large quantities and freeze things for use later. We have group, or shall I say Mayhem Eating, cooking days on a semi-regular basis. We discovered that placing things like chili, pulled pork, taco meat, soup, gumbo, etc. in vacuum sealed freezer bags works great. Even better is the fact that you can throw the bag into a large pot of water and heat it up right in the bag.

Some of our favorite foods are pulled pork sandwiches, stoup (combination between stew and soup) and the ever popular walking tacos. Walking tacos consist of putting hot taco meat into a individual bag of chips (crushed, preferably), and topping with your choice of lettuce, tomato, cheese, salsa, etc. Mmmmm. Now I am getting hungry.

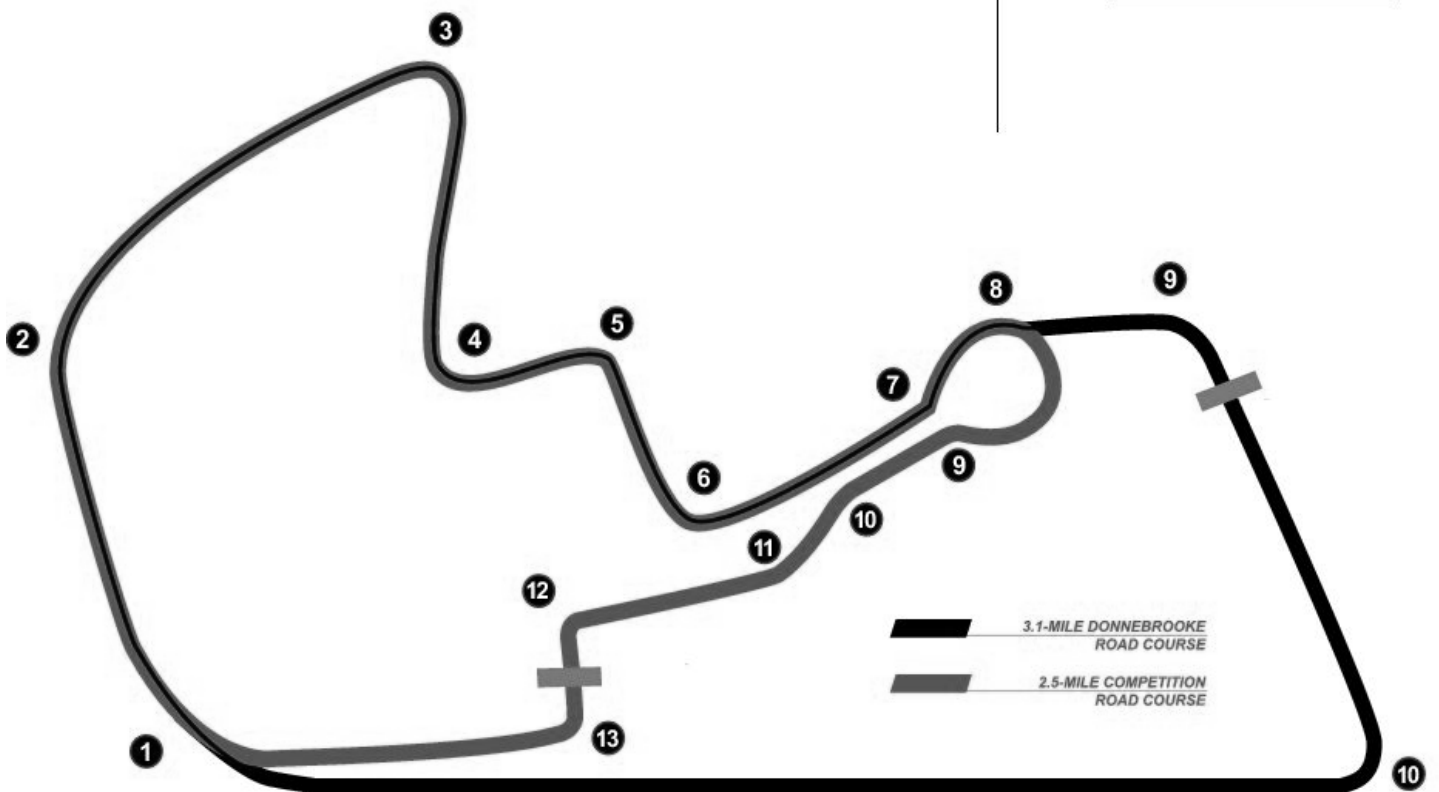
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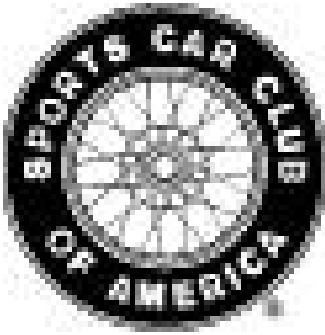
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Test and Tune Day at BIR on Friday, July 2nd...all day!

Winning racers practice, especially at a new track! Here's your chance at a great price.

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Attention All Drivers and Workers

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

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