

South Jersey Rally Scene - Past, Present, Future

- Written by: Jim Wakemen, Sr.

The Past: When I started rallying in 1966 there was a very active rally life in South Jersey. There were 7 clubs putting on rallies. They were the SJR-SCCA, Lakes Sports Car Club (SCC) in Medford Lakes, Chicane SCC in Pitman, Harbor SCC in Ocean City, Centaur Mustang Club in Maple Shade, and South Jersey SCC. Each club annually held 8 to 10 rallies making as many as 70 local rallies per year.

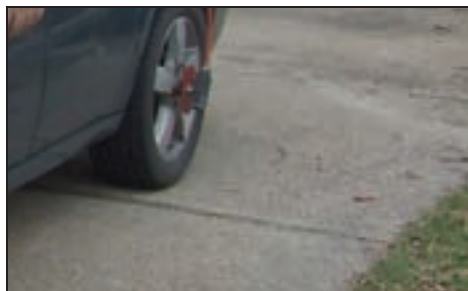
The New Jersey Council of SCCs held an annual championship series comprised of 1 rally from each of 10 clubs statewide split about evenly between clubs in north and south NJ. There also was a Southern Division of the NJ Council.

The Southern Division held a separate championship comprised of 14 rallies with each club sponsoring 2 rallies annually. It wasn't unusual to run a Saturday night rally and say to your competitors, "see you tomorrow" at the next rally.

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Pictured: Jim Wakeman Sr. and his rally prepared Saturn.



SJ Rally Scene

... past, present, future. The future of SJ's Road Rally Scene is looking great. Continued on p.4



2007 Solo - Camden Co. College

Nine events are scheduled to be held at the CCC parking lot in 07. See dates and directions on p.3



Awards Banquet Recap.

Car enthusiasts were happy, well fed and "really" enjoyed each others company... p.5

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Board of Directors (BoD) meetings are held on the first (1st) Wednesday of each month. Locations vary each month, so contact any of the above members of the Board to find out where the next meeting will be held.

Events & Announcements

Road Racing and PDX Events

Meetings/Conventions

March 9-11 - NeDiv Roundtable, Buffalo, NY
Nov. 3-4 (Daylight Savings) NeDiv Convention, Hartford, CT

Club Racing Schools

March 24-25 - DC Region @ Summit Point, WV
April 20-21 - New England Region School @ NH Int'l
April 20-22 - MVR @ Nelson Ledges, NY
June 16-17 (Father's Day) - New England Reg. @ Lime Rock, CT
Oct. 5-6 (Columbus) - Glen Region @ Watkins Glen, NY
Oct. 27-28 - DC Region @ Summit Point, WV

Performance Driving eXperience Events

March 31 - DC Region @ Summit Point, WV
May 28 (Memorial) - New England Region @ NH Int'l
June 3 - DC Region @ Summit Point, WV
June 15-16 (Father's) - Tri-region @ Pocono
July 14 - DC Region @ Summit Point, WV
Sept. 8 - DC Region @ Summit Point, WV

Regional Races

April 22 - New England Region @ NH Int'l
April 28-29 - DC Region @ Summit Point, WV
May 12-13 (Mother's) - NNJ @ Pocono (Enduro/Double)
- Na & StCt @ Nelson Ledges, NY
May 26-28 (Mem.) - New England Region @ NH Int'l
June 1-2 - DC Region @ Summit Point, WV -12 hour
June 9-10 - Finger Lakes Region @ Nelson, NY
June 16-17 (Father's) - New England @ Lime Rock
July 4 - New England Region @ Lime Rock, CT
July 14-15 - New England Region @ NH Int'l
July 28-29 - Glen Region @ Watkins Glen, NY
August 11-12 - StCt @ BeaveRun, NY
- DC Region @ Summit Point
August 25-26 - New England @ NH Int'l (& Enduro)
Sept. 1-3 (Labor) - DC Region @ Summit Point
Sept. 8-9 - New England Region @ NH Int'l
Sept. 15-16 - Finger Lakes R. @ Watkins Glen, NY
Sept. 22-23 (Yom Kipper) - DC Region @ Summit
Sept. 29-30 - New York Region @ LimeRock
Oct. 6-8 (Columbus) - Glen Region @ Glen, NY
Oct. 8-14 - SCCA "Runoffs", Heartland Park, Topeka
Oct. 20-21 - MVR @ Nelson Ledges, NY (Double)
Oct. 27-28 - Western NY @ Nelson Ledges, NY (Enduro)

Solo, Rally and Meetings

South Jersey Autocross @ Camden Co.

Pre-registration @ www.myautoevents.com

April 1

April 29

* June 8 - @ BCIT: Classroom 7-9pm

* June 9 - @ BCIT: Autocross

June 24

July 22

August 4 (Sat)

Sept. 16 - Tentative (T)

Sept. 23 - (T)

Oct. 14 (T)

Nov. 4

Logistical SJR Solo info:

www.sjr-scca.org/soloii/solo_ii_logistics.html

General Novice Solo Website:

www.autox4u.com/novice.htm

* Special event (may become a points event) at Burlington County Institute of Technology Campus, featuring home-grown alternative fuel/powered automobiles. Classroom session will be geared toward the novice driver, however some of the material covered will be beneficial to more experienced drivers.

South Jersey Road Rally Series

Feb. 11 - Snowflake Rally

March 11 - South Jersey T Party

April 15 - Spring Fling

May 12 - May Flowers

June 10 - Picture This

July 15 - Follow the Yellow Bring Road

Aug. 12 - Witch Way Is It, A or B

Sept. 9 - Road Runner

Oct. 14 - Oldies but Goodies

More Info.: <http://www.sjr-scca.org/rally.html>

Annual Tech Inspection For "Club" Road Racing

Saturday, April 7, 2007

Sue King's house

1643 Bluebell Road,

Williamstown, NJ 08094

856.629.4966

Solo Directions - Camden County College Blackwood Campus

From Camden/Philadelphia:

Take Route 42 South. Exit at the Blackwood/Clementon exit.
Turn right at the bottom of the exit ramp (onto Blackwood/ Clementon road)
Turn right at the first traffic light (onto Erial Road).
Follow Erial Road to the second traffic light and turn right (onto Little Gloucester Road).
Continue straight past the next traffic light. The college is on the right side.

From Rte 295 (Northern Areas):

Take Route 295 South. Exit at Route 42 South.
Proceed exactly as above (From Philly/Camden).

From Cherry Hill/ Voorhees/Marlton:

From Route 70, take Springdale Road south 9 miles (note that the road name changes to White Horse Road, Laurel Road, College Drive) until the traffic light at College Drive and Peter Cheeseman Road.
Turn left onto Peter Cheeseman Road; the college is on the right side.

From the South Jersey area:

Take Route 42 or the Black Horse Pike North.
Exit at the Route 168/Blackwood/Sicklerville exit.
Turn right at the bottom of the ramp.
Turn right at the first traffic light (onto Route 168 North).
Turn right at the first road (onto College Drive).
The entrance to the college is one mile down the road on the right side.

From the Atlantic City Expressway:

Exit the Expressway at Exit #44.
Stay in the right lane and take the first exit (Route 168/Blackwood/Sicklerville).
Proceed exactly as above (from South Jersey Area).

From the NJ Turnpike:

Take exit 3 and follow the ramp to southbound Route 168 (Blackwood/Atlantic City).
Remain southbound on Route 168 for 5 miles before turning left onto College Drive.
Turn right at the first traffic light onto Peter Cheeseman Road.
The Blackwood campus is on the right.

Next Meeting is
April 11th @ The
Elephant & Castle,
Cherry Hill, NJ
see p.2 for details

Rally Scene (Continued from p.1)

- Written by: Jim Wakemen Sr.



Gradually all the other clubs ceased to exist. Rallying stopped occurring in the area sometime in the 1980s or 90s. In 2003 Philadelphia Region reintroduced rallying to the Tri State area of PA, DE and NJ. They began the Tri State Championship rally series. The name changed to the **Mid-Atlantic Rally Series (MARS)**. In 2005 the SJR re-entered the rally scene by sponsoring 2 rallies and entering them in the MARS series. In 2006 the SJR held a full rally series consisting of 8 rallies and designed to determine champions in 4 classes. Three of the SJR rallies were also MARS events.

The Present: The MARS series was held in 2006. In 2006 the North East Division of the SCCA counted points for finishing position in all rallies held in the North East Division. Several members of the SJR-SCCA made good showing in the SJR series the MARS series and the NESCCA series. **Jim Wakemen Sr.**

was first driver in both the MARS (class E) and NESCCA series. **Pete Chezik** was first Driver class S in both the SJR and MARS series as well as 4th Navigator in the NESCCA. This is Pete's 3rd MARS championship. **Sue Mehlman** was 2nd Driver class S in both the SJR and MARS series and tied 14th Driver in NESCCA. **Brian Gomez** was 3rd Driver in SJR's class S. The navigators did well also. **Jim Wakemen Jr.** finished 2nd Navigator in MARS class E and 3rd navigator in NESCCA. **Harry Mehlman** was 2nd class S Navigator in SJR and 3rd Navigator in class S in MARS as well as 14th Navigator in NESCCA.

The Future: The 2007 rally events have already begun. The SJR started on Feb 11th with our Snowflake Rally and will have 9 rallies leading to declaring South New Jersey champions in six classes. The series will simultaneously hold course and touring rallies.


New this year we will have a Great Race Class on all our rallies. The Snowflake will feature the "onto" rule on its course segment. More information is available on SJR web site (www.sjr-scca.org).

The MARS series kicks off their 2007 season with the SJR's South Jersey T Party rally on March 11th. More information can be gotten at www.midatlanticrallyseries.com.

The NESCCA is again counting points from all rallies held in the NE Division. A new way to determine the National champions is being instituted this year.



They will count points for all rallies held in the entire country. That means when you enter an SJR event you will be scoring points in the SJR series, the NESCCA championship and the National Championship. Three of the SJR rallies will also get MARS points for the entrants.



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Awards Banquet - 2006

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Sports car enthusiasts have a difficult time staying still. They like to be active, engaging in an activity that stimulates the mind and challenges the body, pressing against the limits of machine and man. Perhaps an awards banquet isn't the favorite place to be on a Saturday night, it's certainly not "racing", however we were able to share our passion for everything sports car and support one another during the winter doldrums that is commonly referred to as the "silly-season".



For some, our cars are like a part of the family. Some even have names. When we

leave these transportative devices behind, it's like leaving a part of ourselves behind. It takes either good food and drink, the promise of good comraderie, or a piece of wood and metal, affirming our worth to this club, to allow ourselves to forget about our gleaming, four wheeled devices outside, unattended.

During the awards banquet there were a few who the results, can at times, produce anti-social tendencies. Some may think it's just the result of visiting the cash bar a few too many times, but we know better. It's not only the silly season, known to non-sports car fans simply as winter-time, but to us it's not just cold and dark, but a time that deprives us from driving our vehicles like they were meant to be driven - hard.



As this silly-season comes to an end, and the first rallies, solos, racing events, and PDXes are held, may we remember how good we have it. We live in a free nation, where we can express ourselves, not just with the type of car we drive and how we drive it, but also how we express ourselves to our friends and family.

The folks in the South Jersey Region are friends and family who are always interested in sharing their driven lives with both old and new friends, alike. We look forward to seeing you at the next event and/or meeting. Please check on p. 3 for an extensive listing of events.

Listed below are some of the award recipients:



John Borden presented the Solo Driver of the year award to Michael Allenbaugh.

Jim Tornetta presented Regional Executive Awards to, Matthew Tornetta and David Hess.



JD King presented Tom Smith with the Dave Rose Sportsman award. Tom expressed his sincere thoughts about receiving such an honorable award. Especially since this award is only presented when someone displays uncommon selflessness toward fellow racers.



Meg Meyer was presented with an Activities Director Support Award for her unparalleled assistance during the 2006 N.E. Division Convention.



Andre Downey was awarded, "Worker of the Year", for his contributions within the Solo program, specifically for his consistent, tireless and creative course design efforts.



Scott Boito was recognized for his efforts in the Solo program for his role as worker chief. Scott assigns and keeps track of all the worker stations.



Spring Fling Road Rally

Sunday April 15, 2007

Presented by
South Jersey Region – Sports Car Club of America
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Three TSD rallies in one: Course Rally with Equipped, Limited, Stock and Novice classes. One set of trophies for E and L as per handicap, two sets of trophies for S and two sets for N. The COURSE rally will feature the “no Quotes” rule. Touring Rally with one set of trophies for a combined class of E, L and S as per handicap. Great Race Class with Great Race equipment regulations and 2007 handicap. Special Awards Form your own competition group such as Best Chevy Entrant, Best John’s Sunoco Employee, Best Friends, Best NE Rally Club Member, Best Smith Family Member, or any common bond that you have. We only require 2 prepaid entries at least one week before the rally. Then we will get the set of trophies and have them for you at the rally. Special Awards are in addition to the other awards. Call for more information. All entries in any of our rallies are automatically eligible for year end awards.

Rally Headquarters: Registration, Start and Finish will be held at → J G Cook’s Bar and Grill
 Registration Opens 9:45 am. First car off 11:16 am 692 Lambs Rd
 Directions can be found at www.mapquest.com or in the General Pitman, NJ 08071
 Instructions or via e-mail to jwakemen43@aol.com or 856-228-9249

Dash Plaques to the first 20 paid cars

Our dash plaques are 3x4 inches and multiple colors.

Rallymaster: Mark Haas 2837 Lincoln Ave Ardsley PA 19038 215-885-0398
 Registrar: Jim Wakemen, Sr 23 Silver Birch Rd Turnersville NJ 08012-1911
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To enter the event, mail completed form (below) and a check for \$25.00 to the Registrar. Please make the check payable to SJR-SCCA. Generals will be sent to all prepaid entries received by Apr 10th via US mail or by Apr 14th via e-mail. Pre-registration is highly recommended. All minors must have a **Minor Release Waiver** signed by both parents/guardians. Please request the Minor Release Waiver in advance. Day of Rally fee is \$30.00. Save \$5 by prepaying and help secure a dash plaque for both crew members.

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| Driver’s Name | | Navigator’s Name | |
| Address | | Address | |
| | zipcode | | zipcode |
| Phone | | Phone | |
| E-mail | | E-mail | |
| Course Rally | Class E _____ L _____ S _____ N _____ | | |
| Touring Rally | Rally equipment E _____ L _____ S _____ | | |
| Great Race Class | Year of Vehicle _____ | Special Award _____ | |

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Dodge Durango, Pearl Green. 5.9L V8, loaded, tan leather, 8-speaker sound system/CD, 4wd, tow capacity 8,000lbs., clean, new flr mats, 3rd row seat, 8 passengers. 117k, known issues, A/C system won't hold charge, right/rear window works intermittently. Price Reduced to \$5000. Contact Mike @ mrallenbaugh@comcast.net or (856) 906-3116. (12/06)

Pieces Parts: For Sale

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Wheels and Tires: Bridgestone Potenza RE92A Tires, 215/45/ZR17, 3 with 85% Tread left and 1 with 1k miles. Mounted on 17"X7" Ace Arius wheels, 5X100, 48mm

offset, Hyper Silver with Polished Lip, used less than 100 miles, new condition. Bolt Pattern fits WRX & Legacy GT. Originally \$1600 new. Asking \$750. Contact: fishslayeryo@gmail.com Posted via Jim Thwaite | jim@misfittoysracing.com (12/06)

Wheels and Tires: Set of four 16" OEM 16" WRX Wheels w/ 225 / 50 - 16 Hankook R-S2 tires mounted. Minor marks, but not curb rash. Asking \$375, contact Mike @ mrallenbaugh@comcast.net or (856) 906-3116. (12/06)

Wheels and Tires: Stock wheels and tires from 99 Miata. Tires 195/50/15 - 2 are michelin pilots and two are toyo proxies tires, good condition and treadlife, rims are also in good condition and straight. Photos: www.misfittoysracing.com/miata/wheels - Asking \$400, contact Jim @ jim@misfittoysracing.com (12/06)

VW Parts: (1.) 16v Scirocco intake manifold, upper and lower. Ford Mustang Throttlebody mounting plate professionally welded to intake. Lower intake comes with custom fuel injector rail for Electronic fuel injection. \$150 | (2.) 16v GTI intake manifold/ stock upper and lower, freshly bead-blasted. \$70 (3.) 2 VW transmissions, 1 1998 2.0l GTI trans, only problem is C clip came off of pinion gear in diff from minor curb incident. Trans shifts very smooth but will need to be taken apart to repair diff. (4.) 8v VW trans, I forget the code but I believe it is a ACN. Do not know condition of trans. \$70 (5.) Regular Digifant Fuel injection computer with wiring harness. (this is not a Corrado unit) \$30 (6.) 1.8l 16 Valve Head with camshafts. Good condition. \$120 (7.) 2 720cc injectors, freshly cleaned by Marris Motorsports. \$100 Never used. Contact Barry @ bhall73@comcast.net (12/06)

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- April 15 @ JG Cooks, Pitman, NJ

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