



Dear new or prospective SCCA member,

Hello, my name is Meg Meyer, and I am the current South Jersey Region, SCCA membership chairperson. This letter is to give you a little more information about South Jersey Region, and the Sports Car Club of America. I have also included some information on the various positions within the club's Racing, Rally, and Solo activities. Contact information is at the bottom of page 2.

## **What is the SCCA?**

Since 1944, SCCA has championed one mission: To bring motorsports to the masses of American men and women who are passionate about automobiles, speed, and competition. From National Championships to regional events, whether professional or amateur, we exist to organize, support and develop auto racing at every level, and provide an outlet for you to get out of the armchair and into the action. So, whether your passion is autocrossing, rallying, or road racing as a professional, or as a weekend warrior, SCCA wants to help you fuel your passion.

The SCCA has sectioned the country into 9 areas called divisions (for example South Jersey is in the North East division of the SCCA). South Jersey Region is one of 19 regions in the north east dedicated to the support of auto racing.

## **What does South Jersey Region do?**

We are a membership organization that facilitates and supports racing events in the South Jersey area. Recently, we were blessed with the opening of New Jersey Motorsports Park. We hold 5-7 events there each season, including an SCCA Driver's School and PDX in March, a 12-hour Enduro, and national and regional club races throughout the summer. Thanks to our superb volunteers, we are quickly building a reputation for hosting the best events in the area. We also hold solo events and road rallies in the South Jersey region. We are always looking for enthusiastic volunteers to help organize and run these events. Come join in the fun!

## **What is Solo?**

Test your driving skill as you drive your car through a course of cones in a parking lot. All you need is a driver license and a helmet that is 1995 or newer. No special equipment is needed, but your car will undergo a safety inspection before the start of the event. Loaner helmets are available, and members save \$15 on entry fees. Speeds rarely exceed 60mph, but every tenth of a second counts. South Jersey currently holds its solo events at the lot at 1155 S Black Horse Pike, Williamstown, NJ 08094. We are actively looking for other venues to add to the excitement! More information and our Solo schedule can be found on our website at <http://www.sjr-scca.org/solo.html>.

## **What are Time Trials?**

Time Trials are a mini version of a road race on a closed course (usually NJMP's Lightning course). You get three laps each session to better your drive time. This is an excellent opportunity to fine tune your driving skills before the bigger and faster road racing.

PDX events (performance driving experience) are sometimes called track days. At these events, you can drive your street car around a real race track. There is limited passing, and if you are inexperienced, you will have an instructor assigned to you. PDX events fall under the Time Trials umbrella in SCCA.

## What is Road Racing?

This is the heart-pounding, adrenalin-pumping, wheel to wheel action on the tracks at New Jersey Motorsports Park (actual contact is highly discouraged, however). Successful completion of an SCCA driver school and road racing license is required. South Jersey region runs five events at NJMP each year, and your help would be greatly appreciated. South Jersey region members also whole-heartedly support the professional events that are held at NJMP. These include the ARCA series, Rolex Grand-Am, SCCA World Challenge, Mazda MX-5 Cup, VW TDI Challenge, and several other professional series. Come on out, and get close to the action! Meet the drivers (including Randy Pobst, Patrick Dempsey, and many others).

SJR's club racing page is located at <http://www.sjr-scca.org/clubracing.html>.

## What is a Hill Climb?

This competition is a time trial, up a hill, on a closed public road course, in cars with roll cages. Fastest one to the top wins. The Pennsylvania Hill Climb Association can be found on the web at <http://www.pahillclimb.org>.

## What is Road Rally?

Road Rally is also known as a time, speed, and distance rally. This is not about how fast you go, it is about how accurately you can cover that distance in a given amount of time. Clues are given for each leg of the race. If you arrive too early or too late at the end of each leg, you get penalty points. This contest is held on public roads at or below the posted speed limit and the competitor with the fewest points wins. South Jersey Region has a healthy and growing rally community. We held 9 rallies this past season, come out and see how fun it can be! Our Road Rally page can be found at <http://www.sjr-scca.org/rally.html>.

## Come join us!

Want to get closer to the Road Racing action without driving? **BE A CORNER WORKER!** You cannot get a better view of the racing anywhere else. The racing cannot happen without the corner workers. In addition to corner working, there are many other positions at the track that need to be filled by volunteers **LIKE YOU**. If you want to get involved, come to a meeting, or contact one of our specialty chiefs. More info about each specialty can be found at [www.nescca.com/nescca\\_main/raceworker.html](http://www.nescca.com/nescca_main/raceworker.html). All are welcome to work, and the training is free. As an added bonus - when you work races you get a discount on your SCCA membership.

## Further Questions?

Feel free to contact any of the following people with questions:

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## Interested, or know someone who is?

Our monthly membership meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month, at Uno Chicago Grill, 2803 Route 73, Maple Shade, NJ 08052, 856-722-5577. Feel free to join us. The meeting starts at 8pm, but many of us are there starting around 6:30-7pm to order dinner, and catch up on everyone's exploits. We welcome new and prospective members to join us, and ask questions.

For prospective members, how do you join SCCA? The easiest way is the SCCA website. Go to [www.scca.com](http://www.scca.com), and click on the JOIN NOW button (located on the upper left portion of the screen). Fill out the application. Don't forget to tell SCCA that you want to join South Jersey Region (#84). If you don't want to join on-line, you can visit the SJR website ([www.sjr-scca.org](http://www.sjr-scca.org)) and click on the SJR/SCCA Membership App link under the header. You can fill out this form, and fax it to the SCCA fax number listed.

If you are a new member, please feel free to copy this letter, and pass it out. Bring somebody you know to one of our events or meetings. We can't grow the South Jersey Region without everyone's help!

Here are some other web sites that you should know about.

North East Division, SCCA (NESCCA)	<a href="http://www.nescca.com">www.nescca.com</a>
North East Division (NeDiv) Solo	<a href="http://www.nedivsolo2.org">www.nedivsolo2.org</a>
National Road Rally Site	<a href="http://www.nationalroadrally.com">www.nationalroadrally.com</a>
Pennsylvania Hill Climb Association	<a href="http://www.pahillclimb.org">www.pahillclimb.org</a>
New Jersey Motorsports Park	<a href="http://www.njmp.com">www.njmp.com</a>

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