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Meadowdale International Raceway, now called Raceway Woods is our local historic treasure that sits beneath a blanket of December snow. Plan a Holiday visit to pay your respects.

Merry Christmas and  
Happy Holidays  
From The Team At  
Chicagoland Sports Car Club

## 2011 Event Schedule

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>	<u>Venue</u>
Jan 15	Award Banquet	MC	Pheasant Run
Jan 29	Award Banquet	CSCC	Mill Rose
Feb 5	MIR Banquet	MIRPA	Randall Ridge
Feb 27	Brit Car Swap	Chi MGCC	DuPage Cty
<b>Apr 16-17</b>	<b>DS/W2W</b>	<b>LSCC</b>	<b>BHF</b>
<b>May 7-8</b>	<b>AX/W2W</b>	<b>TBD</b>	<b>MM</b>
<b>May 28-30</b>	<b>AX/W2W</b>	<b>MSCC</b>	<b>BHF</b>
<b>June 11-12</b>	<b>AX/W2W</b>	<b>MC</b>	<b>ACC-N</b>
June 18-19	Vintage	VSCDA	BHF
<b>July 9-10</b>	<b>DS/W2W</b>	<b>GLSCC</b>	<b>BHF</b>
<b>July 23-24</b>	<b>W2W</b>	<b>MSCC</b>	<b>Grattan</b>
<b>Aug 13-14</b>	<b>AX/W2W</b>	<b>SCSC</b>	<b>BHF</b>
<b>Aug 27-28</b>	<b>W2W</b>	<b>NSSCC</b>	<b>RA</b>
<b>Sept 17-18</b>	<b>AX/W2W</b>	<b>SCCR</b>	<b>BHF</b>
Sept 17	Meadowdale	MIRPA	MIR
<b>Oct 1-2</b>	<b>AX/W2W</b>	<b>NSSCC</b>	<b>ACCS-S</b>
<b>Oct 15-16</b>	<b>AX/W2W</b>	<b>FTR</b>	<b>BHF</b>
<b>Oct 29-30</b>	<b>W2W/W2W</b>	<b>CSCC</b>	<b>BHF</b>

ACC-N/S: Autobahn Country Club (North/South)  
 Advanced Autosports: advanced-autosports.com  
 BHF: Blackhawk Farms Raceway [www.blackhawkfarms.com](http://www.blackhawkfarms.com)  
 BCU: British Car Union/Festival [www.britishcarunion.com](http://www.britishcarunion.com)  
 British Car Swap Meet - Dupage County [www.britishcarswap.info](http://www.britishcarswap.info)  
 CIR: Chicago Indoor Racing Addison, IL  
 MIRPA: MIR Preservation Association [www.mirpa.org](http://www.mirpa.org)  
 Grattan Raceway: [grattanraceway.com](http://grattanraceway.com)  
 MIR: Meadowdale International Raceways [www.mirpa.org](http://www.mirpa.org)  
 MM: Milwaukee Mile, West Allis, WI.  
 RA: Road America [www.roadamerica.com](http://www.roadamerica.com)

**Bold:** MCSCC Championship Series Competition Event

**On the Cover:** Raceway Woods is located in Carpentersville on Rt 31, just North of Huntley Road - "Open All Year".

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## November 17th 2010 CSCC Meeting Minutes

**Attendees:** Jay Busse, Larry Best, Mike Schindlbeck, Lois Berg Wells, Alden Wells, Dale Kofoed, Frank Riemann, Evan Connell, Frank Hartl, Bill Boesen, Aaron Deer, Gary Weis, John Connell, Ken Rochocki, Paul Schindlbeck, Melissa Hitzke, Randy Cross, Rich Cwik, Chuck Cassaro

The Pre-Meeting (7:30-8:35pm)

Midwestern Council President, Chuck Cassaro recapped MC's loss of the Treasury due to Nancy Harlan's actions as MC Treasurer. The prosecution of the embezzlement is currently in Federal hands, and MC has filed a police report in Winnebago County (where they are incorporated). Prosecution will probably be in Milwaukee County (where crime was committed). CC mentioned "bridge loan" that was used to pay an outstanding K&K bill from the last races along with other expenses. Chuck then conducted a Q&A session to address member's concerns.

President Paul called the regular CSCC meeting to order at 8:35 pm.

**Treasurer's Report:** (LB) November expenses were relatively light, and included meeting expenses, residual Looong Race expenses, and the stop payment fee for a check issued to the MC and sent to Nancy Harlan. There were no other expenses. Income: We received a much appreciated donation from Bernie Behrens. (International Classics) and interest on the CD, for a net gain in November. (Let the minutes reflect that the Treasurer reconciled his monthly report with a copy of the bank statement, as well as the spreadsheet). Ken Rochocki suggests a round of applause in appreciation of the fine job Mr. Best is doing as Treasurer. This is done. Move to accept Treasurer's report (AD) & 2nd (AW) pass.

The Club would like to thank Bernie for his generous donation to the Club and recent visit to Chicagoland's That Looong Race.

**Steward's Report:** (GW) Race picks were made. CSCC chose the last weekend of October to host "Chicagoland's That Looong Race". The Milwaukee Mile on Mother's Day weekend is gone, and Grattan is back in the works. Thee is potential for an Enduro to be added to the June 11-12 date at the Autobahn.

Tim McCarter is now the VP of MC, and Dick Kneubuehl is the interim MC Treasurer.

MC Special Awards are open until 1 December.

MC will NOT accept any 14 year old drivers next year.

Mike Schindlbeck forwarded Dan Ibrahim's motion about making our Driver physical regulations the same as SCCA's to GW. This relates to what has to be done to whom at what ages.

A motion was made to accept the Steward's report (FH) & 2nd (BB)-pass.

**Banquet Report:** (RC) We discussed the increased costs at the MillRose, and its impact on the club. There was a motion to make the Banquet fee \$50.00 (JB) & 2nd (RC)- which was defeated. More discussion followed, after which a new motion was put forth to fix the Banquet fee at \$45.00 (KR) & 2nd (AW)- which passed.

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**November 17th CSCC Minutes *continued***

We then entered a LONG discussion about MC's current budget situation. There was further discussion about loaning MC funds from the CSCC Treasury, so they can continue operations. Amounts and terms, endpoints, and repayment options were offered. A promissory note with conditions, and with oversight by the Finance Committee was also suggested.

John Connell made a motion to make a Loan to the MC, repayable in 18 months, seconded by Alden Wells, which narrowly passed. Discussion: Mr. Deer suggests repayment at 25% per year.

More discussion followed about getting the Finance Committee involved in oversight of MC's Treasury operations. Gary Weis urged members to attend the MC BoD meeting on a monthly basis in order to get more involved in the process. The MC meetings occur on the 2nd Thursday of each month.

A motion to adjourn was made at 10:15 pm by Mr. Rochocki, and seconded by Mr. Wells. This motion passed, and the meeting was adjourned.

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**Date**  
Saturday, January 15th, 2011

**Location**  
Pheasant Run Resort  
4051 East Main Street  
St Charles, IL, 60174

www.pheasantrun.com  
1-800-474-3272

**Time**  
Cocktails 6 pm  
Dinner 7 pm  
Awards 8:30 pm  
Music / Dancing 10 pm

**Dinner Rates**  
\*\*\* Class Champions are FREE \*\*\*  
Guests: \$45 per person

*Reservations and payment are required by December 31st, 2010*

**More Information**  
The Banquet Order form is available online:  
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## MEETING OF MIDWESTERN COUNCIL BOARDS – November 11th, 2010

Regular Executive and Competition Board meeting, Sam's Ristorante, Rockford IL.

### EXECUTIVE BOARD

President Cassaro called to meeting to order at 8:01. It was ascertained that a quorum was present. All officers except Treasurer were present and clubs were represented as follows: CSCC-Best, Wells; FT-Brozynski, Wheeler; GLSCC-Kannard, Schley; LSCC-Karth, Martin; MSCC-Anderson, Linden; NSSCC-Saccameno, Serra; SCSCC-Lewis; SCCR-McCarter, Rehberg. M(Kannard) & 2(Wheeler) to approve the minutes of the meeting with the correction that the Grattan event may be shared with W. Michigan Region, not Milwaukee Reg. Pass.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Cassaro reported that the Treasurer has been removed from office by action of the Executive Board due to embezzlement of MC funds. Action is being taken by the federal government. The MC treasury is empty with insurance bills to be paid as well as banquet expenses, among others. Operating funds to begin next year's business are also needed. There is almost no hope of recouping the missing funds. An offer was made by an individual to front a bridge loan for the MC to stay solvent. It was alternatively proposed that the clubs donate a per-member fee (suggested to be \$25) to do the same. In the future, treasury reporting will be in the same format, but the Executive Board members will receive copies of bank statements. M(Wheeler) & 2(McCarter) that the clubs figure out and donate what they can afford, and for 2011 monies be supplemented by the individual offer, raising per-member dues to \$50 if necessary. No pass. Many suggestions were offered and referred to a future Finance Committee discussion. M(Martin) & 2(Wheeler) to accept the short-term bridge loan and encourage clubs to loan to the MC amounts appropriate to what they can afford, using a \$25/member benchmark, and to have the money paid back in an amount of time determined by the Finance Committee. Pass. It was suggested that clubs donate funds in place of loaning funds. M(Karth) & 2(several) to acknowledge that the individual is making the bridge loan with no interest and that it will be repaid as soon as possible. Pass. M(Martin) & 2(Wheeler) that Dick Kneubuehl be interim Treasurer for the remainder of the year. Pass.

### OLD BUSINESS

- Banquet: No report was given. Some reservations are in so far. Reminder post cards will go out.

- Race Date Choices: MSCC: May 28-30 at BFR; SCCR: Sept. 17-18 at BFR; CSCC: Oct. 29-30 at BFR; SCSCC: Aug. 13-14 at BFR; FT: Oct. 15-16 at BFR; NS: Aug. 27-28 at RA; LSCC: Apr. 17-18 at BFR(driver school on Sat.); GL: July 9-10(driver school on Sat.) at BFR. Second round choices were: MSCC: July 23-24 at Grattan; NS: Oct. 1-2 at ACCS. The June 11-12 date at ACCN will be a MC event (so that the date not be lost) unless a club/clubs come forward to sponsor it or unless the event can be moved to the south track, which would be more acceptable to them. The May 7-8 date at MM was not chosen, as it is Mother's Day, but there is a possibility of it being a Sat.-only event.

- Grattan MC/SCCA Event: In dealing with SCCA, Cassaro assured them that vehicle/equipment safety requirements of the MC are as stringent as theirs. There was also concern that in general, MC novice licenses are not honored at SCCA events. This will not be a problem at this event. Car classification will take work because both organizations have differing class structures.

- Officer Nominations: M(Wheeler) & 2(several) nominated Cassaro for President, McCarter for Vice-President, S.Boldt for Secretary, Kneubuehl for Treasurer, and Weis for Competition Director. No other nominations were forthcoming. M(Wheeler) & 2(Kannard) that voting take place this evening. Pass. M(Martin) & 2(Kannard) that the slate be elected by acclamation. Pass.

- Special Awards: The list was distributed and discussed. Dave Schneider was nominated for Rookie Worker of the Year, but is not actually a rookie, so his nominations went under the Schauppner Award. That left the slot open. There were no nominations for the Poole Award. Nominations will remain open until Dec. 1 for Rookie Worker and Poole Award only. Voting will take place at the Dec. meeting.

### NEW BUSINESS

- KLAXON: The new editor will be Michele Salamun from LSCC. Welcome and thank you!

### COMPETITION BOARD: OLD BUSINESS

- Autocross Committee: Churchill presented a revised grouping with novices and instructors in 5 instead of in the last group, which made it difficult for instructors practicing in groups 1-3 to get to grid for their own groups after riding with novices. The change may make more drivers willing to instruct. This is a procedural change which does not require a vote.

- Race Staff: No committee yet.

- Steward Committee: More stewards are needed to run the events. Paid workers should not be on corners by themselves because of lack of skill and info on MC events; they should be paired with MC staff. Metal-to-metal incident procedures are close to being finalized.

### NEW BUSINESS

- Refueling Rule Change: It was recommended by the Steward Committee that the motion from Oct. to allow dry break refueling with the driver in the car not be passed for safety reasons. Motion did not pass.

- 14-15 Year Old Drivers: The Oct. request to drop the age limit to 14 for MC competition, which would consequently remove the requirement that each driver present a state driver's license at registration, did not pass. It was noted that our insurance will not cover drivers without a state license.

- AX Rule-a-Thon Changes: The proposed rule changes passed.

M(P.Green by proxy) & 2(Wheeler) to adjourn at 10:20. Pass. Minutes taken and transcribed by S. Boldt.



You Are Cordially Invited To Attend The  
**Chicagoland Sports Car Club**  
**2010-2011 ANNUAL AWARDS AND RECOGNITION DINNER**

**Saturday, January 29th, 2011**

**The MillRose Restaurant**

**45 South Barrington Road, South Barrington, IL 60010**

**1-847-382-ROSE**

**Cocktails: 6:30 p.m. Dinner: 7:30 p.m.**

**Awards, Door Prizes, and Boring Speeches will follow Dinner.**

**Various Other Entertainments May Take Place.**

**Dinner will include:**

**Hot and Cold Appetizers**

**Coffee, Soft Drinks, and Teas, Warm rolls**

**House Salad**

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**Tiramisu**

**\$45.00 per person**

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**Guest: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Guest: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Guest: \_\_\_\_\_**

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## For Sale and Trade

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**For Sale:** Quick-trip Header for a BMW-2002 (66 to 76), \$75. Rear muffler for a Triumph GT-6 (71 to 73) \$125. Ansa Sport muffler for a 911 Porsche Carrera (78 to 87) \$400. One pair of Brass control nuts for Maxon above ground lift \$250. All NOS. Phone Ron at 630-377-3033

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## Wanted!

The Midwestern Council of Sports Car Clubs will begin the 2011 season in approximately 4 months. With a full complement of events on the schedule, the organization is in need of a Race Staff Director. It takes an average of 100 volunteers to staff an event and be in position before the first cars roll out on the track. The role of the Race Staff Director is vital in coordinating the planning, training, and scheduling of the Flagging and Communication workers for each event.

If you have interest in applying for the position, or finding out more about the responsibilities, please contact the MC Competition Director, Gary Weis. Gary's contact information is posted on the front of this newsletter.

## Thanks Ozzy!



Dave "Ozzy" Osborne is one of the many Safety and Rescue workers that make the MC S&R team one of the best in the business. When the Midwestern Council holds an event at a track other than Blackhawk Farms, Ozzy is the person that makes sure the Equipment Trailer with all of the necessary equipment to run the event is in position at the track.

People like Ozzy are the reason the competitors in the Midwestern Council can race with the organization and experience a consistent level of support throughout the racing season.

Across the Midwestern Council there are many opportunities to participate in the organization. At the Club level, there are many key responsibilities that need to be filled in support of Race planning and support. At the Midwestern Council level, Positions in the Race Staff organization, Safety & Rescue, Timing and Scoring, and many others are available just for the asking.



The Forest Preserve District of Kane County recently completed installation of the pedestrian bridge over the main straight wash-out at Meadowdale International Raceway. It is now possible to walk or ride the complete course at "Raceway Woods".



## Chicagoland Sports Car Club

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***December 2010***

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Chicagoland Sports Car Club is a member of the Midwestern Council of Sports Car Clubs that was founded in 1958.



## ***Chicagoland Sports Car Club: Next Meeting on December 15th Chicago Indoor Racing, 2381 W. Army Trail Rd. Addison, IL***

The next BOD/General Membership meeting will be held Wednesday, December 15th, 2010 at Chicago Indoor Racing in Addison, IL. The BOD Meeting start time is officially 7:30 PM. The Membership Meeting starts at 8:00 PM.

The BOD will meet to review the Club Business agenda, with the General Membership meeting following immediately afterward at 8:00 PM. Plan to come early and enjoy dinner with some of your Club members.

Chicago Indoor Racing is located at 2381 W. Army Trail Road in Addison, IL. CIR is just West of Rt 53. Food and Beverages will be available. We will be meeting as we do at a regular Club meeting, not racing. In the future we will schedule a competition night when we have less to talk about.

We will review the plans for 2011 including the MC competition event schedule, special events, car shows, Racing, and whatever the Club members want to include in the agenda. Play to Win!



Many thanks to Vintage Historic Competitor Bill Dentinger for his continued support of the Chicagoland's Looong Race Big Wheel Event for the next generation of competitors.