

# THE BLAT



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## AWARDS BANQUET SET FOR JANUARY 18

OMR's Annual Meeting & Awards Banquet is scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 18, 2003 at the historic *Riverside Inn* north of Ozark, MO. Last year, more than 65 members and guests attended and everyone had a great time. This year, as of Jan. 9, only 45 reservations had been received.

If you plan to attend the Banquet but haven't notified the Region, **MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS IMMEDIATELY—RIGHT NOW—WITHOUT DELAY.** Just phone Ted Wells (417-881-1079) or Jeff Moore (417-889-7125 days) or email them at [twelco@msn.com](mailto:twelco@msn.com) or [jwmoore@autoarch.com](mailto:jwmoore@autoarch.com). We need to know the number of people attending so we can notify the restaurant. Make a decision and act now.

The cost to you is \$20.00 per person – the same as last year – and the Region writes one check at the end of the evening for everybody in attendance plus various gratuities and fees. Those who attend the banquet get a good deal because the Region's tab always works out to more than \$20.00 a head. Guests are welcome of course.

The banquet schedule and other details appear on Page 3 of this issue. A list of award recipients appears on Page 4. Whether or not you are receiving an award, come out Saturday evening and help recognize the accomplishments of your fellow SCCA members.

**DIRECTIONS:** The *Riverside Inn* is located at 2629 N. Riverside Road in Ozark, MO. Exit Hwy 65 at Hwy 14 and go east 1.4 miles to 3rd St. (NOTE: Hwy 14 turns abruptly right at 3rd St. and there's a "DENTIST" sign visible on a rock wall as you approach the intersection.) Turn left/north on 3rd St. and drive down the hill before veering right onto Riverside Road. Continue on Riverside Road for 1.5 miles to the restaurant.

This will be the fourth year the folks at *Riverside* have hosted OMR's annual awards dinner. Everyone who attended the banquet the past three years has been very complimentary of the ambiance, food, and service provided by the historic restaurant. Plan now to attend.

## DICK FAXON NAMED REGIONAL EXECUTIVE

At its Dec. 12 meeting, the OMR/SCCA Board of Directors named Dick Faxon to serve as 2003 Regional Executive. Dick takes over the Region's helm from Phil Fanning who - after three years as R.E. - will now serve as Assistant R.E. and Director of Marketing/Promotions.

Last year, Dick Faxon was both Secretary and Treasurer of the Region. In 2003, Jeff Moore will be Treasurer, and Sam Henry will serve as Secretary.

Mike Eden will continue as Rally Manager, and Ted Wells remains Membership Manager and Editor of *The BLAT*. The last member of the Board, 2002's Assistant R.E. Forrest Tindall, will be listed as Member-At-Large (or *Minister Without Portfolio* if you prefer the French system of government.)

Usually, the Board appoints one of its members to be the Region's SOLO II Manager, but because six of the seven Directors are heavily involved in Club Racing, STS Honda driver Erik Anderson has been named to that post. Last year's SOLO II Manager, Sam Henry, will *liaison* with Erik and other autocross officials.

### OMR/SCCA's New Website

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Editor

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### OMR/SCCA MEETINGS

General Membership Meetings are scheduled on the first Tuesday of the month. Meeting locations are always noted on the first page of *The BLAT*. Guests are welcome.

Board of Directors Meetings are scheduled on Thursday of the second full week of the month. Meeting locations are always noted on the last page of *The BLAT*.

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## Who Gets What At Awards Banquet

### Membership Pins

25 Years - Joe Bass  
 20 Years - Forrest Tindall  
 15 Years - Keith Maloney  
 10 Years - Shane Bennoch  
     Beth Johnstone  
     Mark Rountree  
     John Taliaferro  
     Linda Taliaferro  
     Nick Taliaferro  
 5 Years - Jennifer Carr  
     Riley Carr  
     Chris Chindlund  
     Ellen Chindlund  
     Dick Faxon  
     Hugh Sutton

### Regional SOLO II Class Champions

SS - Sam Henry  
 BS - T.C. Pistole  
 CS - Pat Mitchell  
 ES - Allen Woody  
 GS - Nick Taliaferro  
 HS - Forrest Tindall  
 STS - Travis Tyler  
 ASP - Jeff Herrmann  
 BSP - Mark Rountree  
 DSP - Rodger Grantham  
 ESP - Bill Stewart  
 FSP - Oren Goble  
 DP - Dave Honea  
 EM - Lester Henry  
 FM - Robert Marsh

### SOLO II 100 % Club

Gary Grantham - DSP & CSP  
 Sam Henry - SS, EM & GS  
 Robert Marsh - HS & FM  
 Pat Mitchell - CS  
 Mark Rountree - BSP & ES  
 Chris Simons - HS & STS  
 Bill Stewart - ESP  
 Forrest Tindall - HS  
 Travis Tyler - STS  
 Allen Woody - ES

### Mid-Am Road Racing Championship

Shane Bennoch - 1st Place - Formula Continental  
 Chuck Leighton - 1st Place - G Production  
 Loren Moore - 1st Place - Touring 1  
 Dick Faxon - 2nd Place - Spec Miata  
 Sam Henry - 2nd Place - American Sedan  
 Forrest Tindall - 3rd Place - E Production

### OMR/SCCA Autocrosser of the Year

Sam Henry

### OMR/SCCA Race Driver of the Year

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### OMR/SCCA Rookie Race Driver of the Year

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### OMR/SCCA Racing Crew Member of the Year

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### J.D. Rice Memorial Award

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### “Last Of The Great Ones” Award

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### “Skroo Up of the Year” Trophy

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## Sam's Solo Summary

### By Sam Henry, Solo II Manager

The forecast called for rain on Nov. 3, and it was raining the night before when the event chair (guess who?) was setting up the course for our *Last Chance* autocross, so a simple track seemed like the way to go. Simple tracks have fewer cones to hit, but when it's really raining, it washes away the chalk we outline the cones with. Did I mention it's also quicker to set up a simple course. I want to thank OMR's Mid-Am T1 road-racing champion, **Loren Moore**, for helping with the course set up. I asked him to throw out a couple of cones every 50 feet while I drove the truck & trailer around the lot. About half way through I could see that two cones were on the ground way too close to 50 feet. I tried to speed up, so it would not be so easy on Loren. Still the cones fell every 50 feet. I don't know his trick, but it's a good one.

The rain never went away, and all 40 entrants ran on a wet track. It never rained hard enough to wash the chalk away, but we stayed wet all day. Raw times ranged from 34 to 43 seconds. **Erik Anderson** had the fastest raw time. Let me say it differently, The fastest raw time was posted with a car equipped with street tires! Now that I've said that, it shouldn't surprise anyone who had FTD after all the quick times were indexed. That's right, **Erik Anderson** had FTD! Those non-R compound tires used in STS must like the cold and rainy conditions, because STS drivers took the top six PAX positions! I don't know if I've ever seen a class dominate like that. They had seven of the top ten!

The best placing non-STS driver was **Lester Henry**, abusing Martin Henry's Nissan Maxima. Think Martin will ever leave the country again trusting his Maxima or Corvette to family members? Lester PAX'd out 7th followed closely by **Forrest Tindall** in his HS Porsche 912. The fastest non-stock/STS driver was **Jeff Herrmann** in the ASP Porsche at 11<sup>th</sup>. I left Martin's Z06 "in the garage" and begged Jennifer to let me use her Monte Carlo for the autocross (Lester's idea). The best I could do was 2nd to Lester in GS and 15<sup>th</sup> on the indexed scale.

Results are elsewhere in *the Blat*, and I believe they are posted at Erik's web-site. You can get there by going to [www.omrscga.org](http://www.omrscga.org)

Two Christian County deputies visited the site as our last autocross of the year was ending. I talked with them for 30 minutes about complaints from Price Cutter Park's neighbors. As most of you have already guessed, we will be addressing sound issues for next season.

As our season ends, I want to thank everyone—both members and non-members—who helped with our autocrosses this year. I think we had a very successful series in 2002, and it wouldn't have been possible without your help. I was pleased to see the willingness of the vast majority of entrants to fulfill worker assignments. Many entrants came out early to help with tech, set up the grid, and

mark cone positions. Many stayed on after the timer was shut down to help pick up cones and clean up the lot.

There were many people who came out, worked all day and didn't compete. **Dick Faxon** was out many times, helping with set up and serving as Safety Steward. **Ted Wells** helped with banners and brought drinks every event. **David Small** worked timing & scoring at several events even though he wasn't entered. **Jim Scarborough** guarded the gate at many events. There are others too, and I want to thank everyone!

Once it was up and running, **Robert Marsh's** registration and timing spreadsheet system saved me hours, and **Robert's family** was always around to pack away his equipment after the trophies were handed out.

OMR's 2002 Regional SOLO II Champions will receive their awards at our annual Awards Banquet on Saturday, Jan. 18 at *The Riverside Inn* north of Ozark. Plan now to attend. The food is delicious, and everyone has a lot of fun!

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### MORE *Traveling Tombstone* From Pg. 1

snacks, veggies, and Halloween treats of all kinds.

Thanks to Clarissa and Jeff for building the bonfire and hosting the party. Special thanks to **John Gresham** who provided revelers with buckets of delicious pop corn laboriously cooked over the open flames!

### SCCA's New Address

The SCCA National Headquarters has relocated to Topeka as of mid November. The new address is:

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**Sprite/Midget rear axle assembly with splined (wire wheel) hubs.**

**Let's deal! Forrest Tindall  
417-883-6778**

### **The Strange Case of Brove Whitney**

The 2nd place finisher in BSP at OMR's Nov. 3 autocross was listed as "Whitney, Brove." That competitor is really the Region's newest member, Toyota Supra driver Whitney Grove of Springfield. The results sheet should have listed him as "Grove, Whitney." The editorial staff apologizes for the mix up!

## Names In The News

Those of you who haven't yet opened the Feb. issue of SportsCar might want to check out the "Official Business" article on pg. 16. The three column story highlights our own Vicki Jarecke who was one of last year's national BFGoodrich Race Worker of the Year trophy winners.

Those of you who have been thinking about volunteering at some SCCA races might want to take the hint suggested by writer Jim Kearney: Vicki could use some help on the false grid at Hallett Motor Racing Circuit and Memphis Motorsports Park.

The name of one of OMR's charter members, Joe Bass of Fordland, MO, appears on the "honor roll" of long-time SCCA members in the same issue on pp. 10-13. 2002 was Joe's 25th year in the Club. Like a few others, Joe was an SCCA member several years before Ozark Mountain Region was created. He will receive his "25 year pin" at OMR's Awards Banquet on Jan. 18; he's the first OMR member to receive one.

### **Rallycross Program In Eastern Missouri**

St. Louis Region is developing a rallycross (autocross on grass/dirt) program to go along with its successful racing, road rally, and SOLO II efforts. Events will be run on a site near Potosi, MO.

St. Louis Region website - [stlscca.org](http://stlscca.org)  
St. Louis Rallycross website - <http://phillipcline.tripod.com>  
Rallycross Chairman - Jeff Templeton - 314-645-3893 or [frey@darkside.eemsd.wustl.edu](mailto:frey@darkside.eemsd.wustl.edu)

### **100 Acre Wood Club Rally**

SCCA's national championship for Divisional performance rallyists will be hosted by St. Louis Region on Feb. 20-22 near Salem, MO. Actually, there will be two ClubRallies run that weekend - "Trespassers Will" on Friday, Feb. 21 and "100 Acre Wood" on Saturday, Feb. 22.

Last year's event was a big success and brought performance rallying back to the Ozarks after an absence of many years. These sort of closed road events - even if they're not on the scale of a World Rally Championship contest - require a lot of volunteers to serve as course marshals and/or checkpoint personnel. Volunteers also are needed in Tech, Registration, Radio Communications, etc. If you would like to be part of an SCCA national championship event, check out the rally website - [www.100aw.org](http://www.100aw.org) - or contact St. Louis Region's performance rally chairman - **Kim DeMotte at 314-968-8841 or [kdemotte@swbell.net](mailto:kdemotte@swbell.net).**

**Annual AWARDS BANQUET - Saturday - Jan. 18th**