

## ***Hello INR members and fellow racers!***

Happy New Year! I certainly hope that everyone has been keeping warm! The BOD has been working diligently on the racing calendar for 2014. As it stands, we are looking forward to an exciting season. INR will be hosting the Hoosier Tire Challenge this year and we are hoping to include a Nationals Match Tour event at Grissom as one of our points events. We will keep you posted as we solidify the schedule.

### **Awards Banquet**

INR would like to invite everyone to our awards banquet at Strongbow Inn. The banquet is another great opportunity for everyone to meet during the off-season. We will be presenting season class trophies, recognizing special accomplishments, and introducing the 2014 INR BOD.

#### **Banquet location and details:**

- [Strongbow Inn, 2405 U.S. 30, Valparaiso IN](#)
- **January 25, 2014**
  - **6:00-7:00 - Cocktails & Hors D'Oeuvres**
  - **7:00-9:00 - Dinner & Awards**
- **Cost per person is \$35 a plate and includes drinks**

Please RSVP before January 18<sup>th</sup>: [kwilkening@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kwilkening@sbcglobal.net) or call (219) 736-8002

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** This month's membership meeting will not be held at Schoops. The awards banquet will act as our January membership meeting.

**Racing in February?** For those looking to shake off cabin fever, we are planning on going as a group on February 15<sup>th</sup>, to [K1 Speed](#) for indoor Kart Racing. K1 Speed bought the old Chicago Indoor Racing facilities and switched to electric karts. We are all looking forward to trying out the new equipment.

### ***Dirty Dozen***

Each year, attendees of our events and meetings have the opportunity earn points towards our Dirty Dozen award. The points vary based on events and work performed such as registration, timing, grid, etc. Attending other clubs events, road racing or helping at road race events also count towards the award. At the end of the year, the INR members with the top twelve highest points earn the club's recognition for their efforts as well as other gifts. The final count will be present at the awards banquet. For non-INR events, I ask that you [email me](#) with details of the events that you attended. For all other INR events, remember to sign the SCCA waiver.

The 2013 Dirty Dozen:

1. Gabe Argenta: 860
2. Jack Wilkening: 700
3. Jason Gast: 670
4. Alex Samardzich: 640
5. Lee Muhleman: 630
6. Jeff Fogg: 600
7. Keith Wilkening: 600
8. John Glynn: 540
9. Steve Ruschak: 540
10. Jeff Jakiewickz: 470
11. Stuart Laks: 375
12. Kevin Kirchoff: 350

## ***The Tire Rack***

When the time comes to buy new tires, brakes, or other automotive accessories through the Tire Rack, make sure to navigate to the Tire Rack's webpage through the link on [INR's website](#). This gives you an opportunity to give a little back to the club through their affiliate program.

## ***INR On The Web***

Check out our [website](#), [facebook page](#) and [forum](#) for event pictures, videos and plenty of bench racing!

*See you soon!*

Alex Samardzich  
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## ***Membership***

As always, we like to encourage you to become an SCCA member. Benefits of becoming a member include discounted registrations fees offered by most regions. With this discount, an SCCA member can quickly cover the cost of their yearly membership! Read more about the advantages of becoming an SCCA member [here](#). Becoming an SCCA member is as simple as filling out this [online form](#). When applying for your membership, please remember to specify Region 75 to become an INR SCCA member.