









B Engaged:

How to Increase Class Participation in Road Racing

Frank Schwartz





B Engaged:

Or, how did we go from 16th to 6th largest class at the Runoffs® in 1 year?





Motorsports Bio







- 1980 Introduction to SCCA
- Solos, Hillclimbs, Road Races, & Road Rally's Oh My. 300+
- Experiences: Solo Event Chair, Newsletter Editor, Timing & Scoring
- Currently:
 - SCCA Foundation Director of Fundraising
 - Unofficial B-Spec Marketing Manager





Professional Bio



- 30+ Years in Automotive Industry
- Engineering, Program Management, Operations, Sales & Marketing
- Founder of AACS = Advanced **Automotive Consulting Services**























- 9-year anniversary 1/25/20
- Started as Market Research for automotive suppliers
- Grown to 2-full & 12-part time staff
 - Executive Strategy
 - Business Development
 - Event Management
- We specialize in

Customer Engagement



Photo Credit - Erin Miracle





















































































DASSAULT SYSTEMES













B-Spec History

• December 2010 Introduced at the PRI Trade Show in Florida

• April 2011 SCCA announces inclusion in SSC

September 2012 B-Spec Shootout comes to Runoffs®

January 2013 First B-Spec Race





Photo Credit: <u>www.scca.com</u>



Growth Plan – Informal to Formal



- Class Cheerleader
 David Daughtery
- 2017 Indy Runoffs®
 Introduction & discussion
- August 5, 2018I purchased a car!





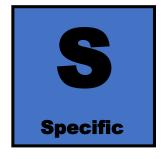
Formal B-Spec Growth Plan for 2019

- 1. DEFINE a Goal and MEASURE against it
- 2. TELL Stories/ENGAGE the Group
- 3. SURPRISE and DELIGHT



















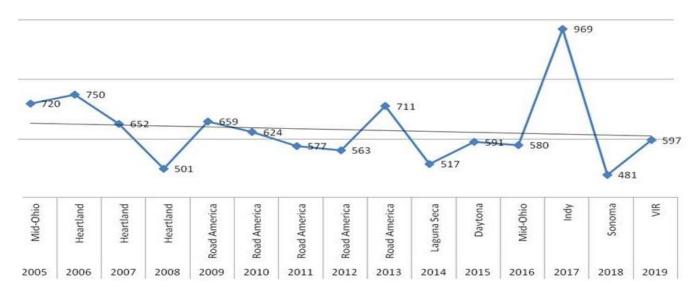






Why the Runoffs®?

- 1) Very Visible
- 2) Creates a Great Story
- 3) Trickle Down effect
- 4) Gradual long-term decline









Measure the Goal

NEASURE

• Specific Increase Runoffs® participation

in order to get our own race

Measurable Targeted # cars: 25 goal, stretch 30

Achievable There were enough cars

Realistic <u>But</u> highest car count EVER was just 18

• Timely Started after 2018 runoffs so within 1 year





Why Telling a Story is Important

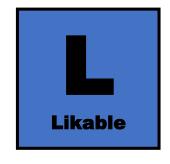
- Stories Engage our Emotions
 - They are 22 times more memorable than facts
- Stories Make Us use our Brains Differently
 - Powerpoint activates the language parts of your brain
 - When you hear a story, other parts of your brain are activated. For example, when I told you the story of my runoffs experiences, you hear the sound and see the sights
- Evolution has wired our brains for storytelling







Telling a GOOD Story











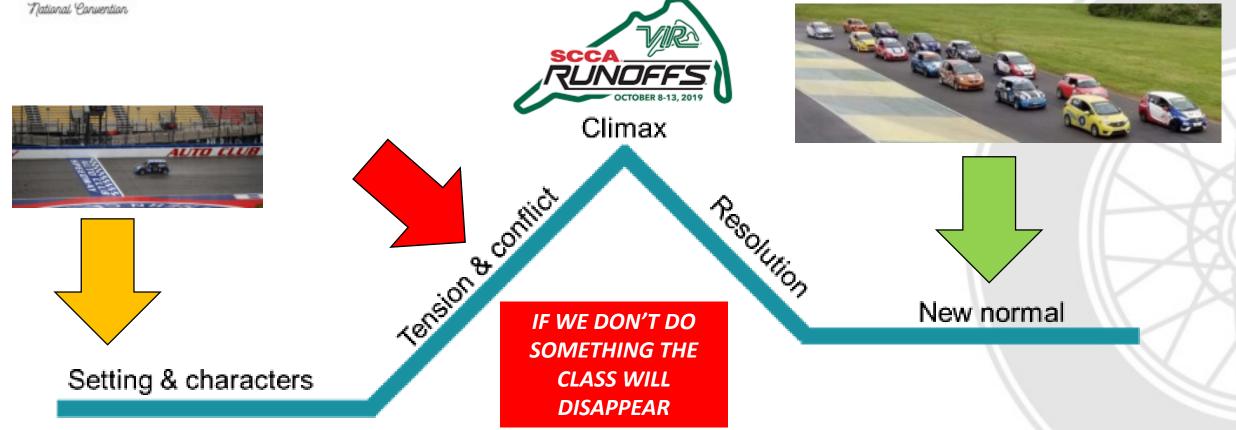


- The Elements of Journalism, describes journalism as "storytelling with a purpose."
- Treatment trumps topic





Classic Narrative Arc





In his recent <u>Politico article</u> on how storytelling decided the 2016 election,
Mark McKinnon (of Showtime's *The Circus*), outlines it like this:

"Identify a threat and/or an opportunity. Establish victims of the threat or denied opportunity.

Suggest villains that impose the threat or deny the opportunity. Propose solutions. Reveal the hero."



What makes B-Spec Special?

PASSION But really all classes can lay claim to this

SUPPORT Racers helping racers – same here

GROWTH Get in on the Ground Floor of the Fastest Growing Class

AFFORDABLE A competitive car can be built or purchased for between \$7,500-10,000.

EQUITABLE

No other class of racing has the number of different brands that are COMPETITIVE

and the level of affordable equality in the rules.



ALL aSTOR!



Turning Drivers into Salespeople



ENGAGE







The 4 Corners of Engagement

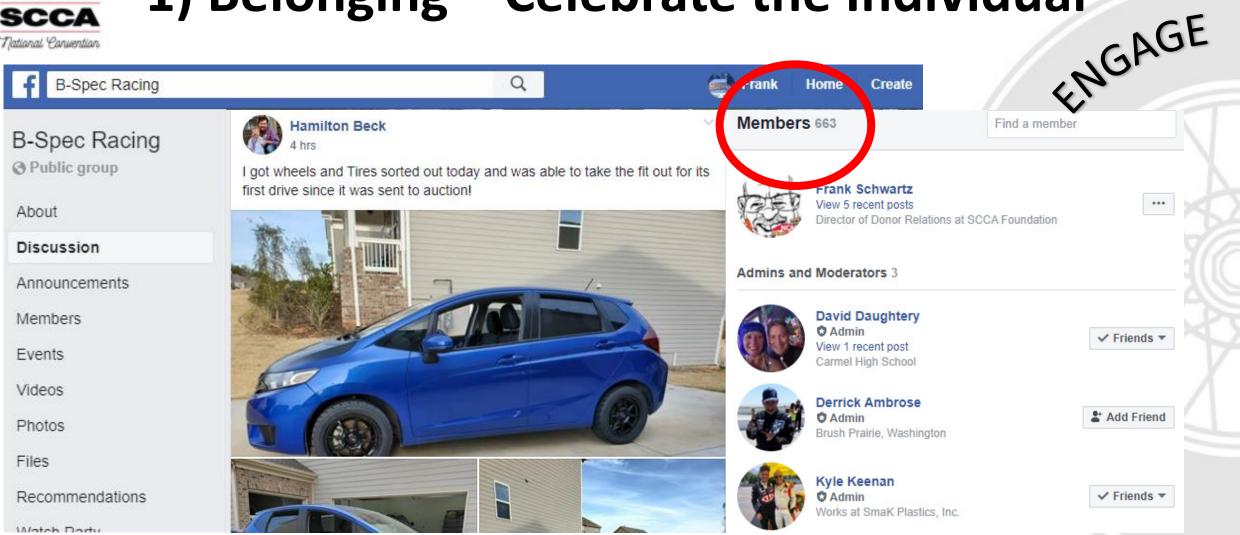
ENGAGE

- 1) Belonging;
- 2) Being part of something big;
- 3) Going on a meaningful journey; and,
- 4) Knowing they make a difference.





1) Belonging – Celebrate the Individual







2) Being part of Something Big



ENGAGE





3) Going on a meaningful journey



Congrats to the next 4 racers who have qualified for the Runoffs. David Dimer, Rob Bax, Riley Salyer and Travis Washay. We are now at 21 qualified. Waiting on Brandon Rob Piekarczyk and Tony Roma who will

qualify at Grattan, Jay (qualify at NJ, William St Rogerson who will qual Holmstrom and Ed Wer iust don't know it.



Frank Schwartz

August 1, 2019

Excited to announce we are back to 30 (provided all the yellow and white racer numbers below follow through). We have 2 new additions we hope to announce soon. In the interim here is the revised Spotters Guide discussed with Gregg Ginsberg at Laguna. Reminder that this is to help the announcers so Bigger numbers and names and pictures of side view of cars are what they requested. Green is registered, yellow is requirements met but

not yet regist Brandon and check the da



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August 21, 2019

ALL 28 have now registered. Updated 8/23 & 8/28







4) Knowing they make a difference

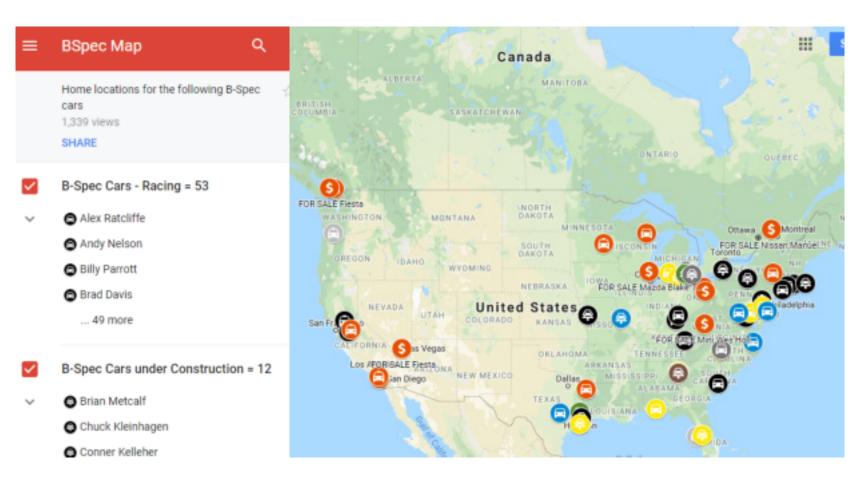








Creating a Community











David Oliveira

2011 Mini Cooper G.A.B.B. Racing

Hometown: Sterling CT Birthplace: Torres, RS Brazil







Sponsors: TRVMedia.com, MINI of Warwick, Signature Signs, MINIs Making a Difference

PROFESSIONAL BIO:

Oliveira is a farmer by choice and the mechanic by trade, He holds a degree in farming from EAFS in Santa Catarina, Brazil and an Associator Degree in automotive from NEtech in Rhode Island.

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David was born and raised in the coastal town of Torres, Brazil. Moved to the US as an exchange student at age 18. David is married to his very supportive and understanding wife, Amanda and they are parents of 3 furry babies, 2 cats, Fritz and Kali, and their Golden retriever Riley. He loves stand up comedy and eating Nutella straight from the jar, yet his father is probably the most interesting man in the world.

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CAR HISTORY:

The car was built by Oliveira from scratch, without ever seeing a B-spec car up close. The donor car had front-end damage and the build took him over 18 months to gather parts and get the car on track in 2017.



FUN FACTS:

- Oliveira mostly learned English from watching Family Guy and South Park.
- He is from the same state as Gisele Bundchen (but has never met her)
- At one point he owned 11 MINI Coopers earning him the nickname Cooper Dave
- Was once in a punk rock band in high school.



Frank Schwartz

2011 Mini Cooper AACS Racing

Hometown: Davisburg MI

Birthplace: Frankfurt Germany



Sponsors: Appalachian Race Tire, Trailer Jaws, Detroit Tuned, Race Track Maps, Winding Road Racing

PROFESSIONAL BIO:

Schwartz is a graduate of Northwood University and also attended North Carolina State
University where he majored in Mechanical Engineering. After senior-level executive positions at
Magneti Marelli and Bosch he started AACS, a business development consultancy assisting
automotive suppliers and manufacturers. His trend research into electric vehicles and
autonomous vehicles has led to being the keynote presenter at industry conferences

PERSONAL BIO:

Born in Germany, Schwartz grew up in the Black Forest and coastal North Carolina. He has 4 children, the youngest two (Alison and Aaron) will be at the track cheering him on along with his biggest fan, girlfriend Simone. He has one grandchild and another due in November. Schwartz enjoys travel, live music and playing soccer.

RACING BIO:

Schwartz started autocrossing a 1968 Pontiac Firebird in 1980 before moving on to hillclimbs and eventually road racing in a 1978 Ford Fiesta. After 28 years of local and regional races, Frank ran his first year of Majors and qualified for the Runoffs at Indianapolis in H-Prod. Last year he sat on the podium at Sonoma before relinquishing the position due to a 2nd lap accident that he accepted responsibility for. His 200th race was earlier this year at his local track of Waterford Hills where he won and set the track record. He has 72 race wins and 146 podiums.

CAR HISTORY:

The car was built by David Ellenwood in the summer of 2017 as part of a \$8500 challenge. Schwartz purchased the car in August of 2018 and has raced it 30 times in the past 13 months.



FUN FACTS:

- · Schwartz went to High School with Michael Jordan
- His company AACS stands for Advanced Automotive Consulting Services. It also stands for his 4 children, from youngest to oldest, Aaron, Alison, Christian and Steven.

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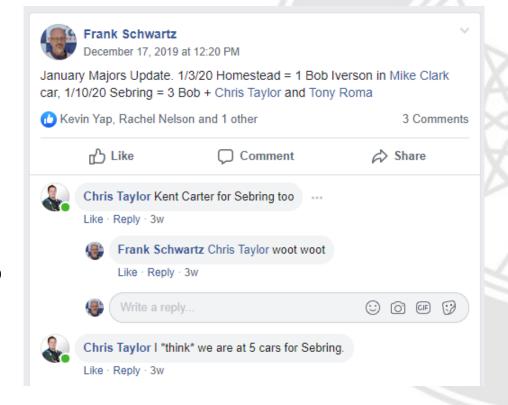
Best Friends

People who have a best friend at work are 7x as engaged





In the old days you had to show up at a track to find out who you were racing against Motorsport Reg allowed you to view the entry list before events, but only after people paid to register







Creating and documenting a Race Car's history increases its value



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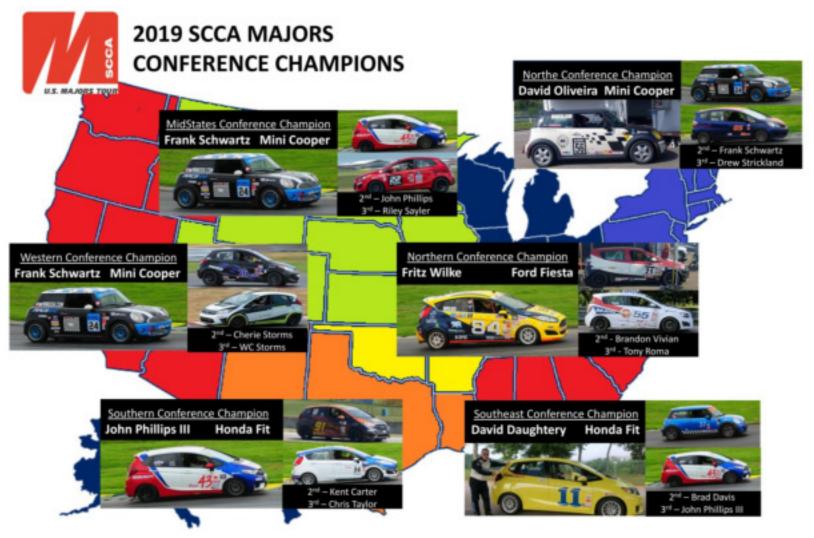
Creating a Marketplace for a Race Car increases its value

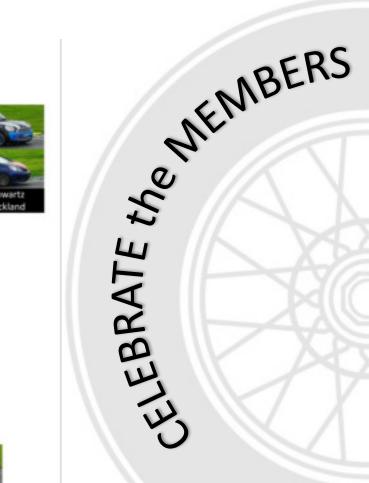
















Exploring outside the Group







www.b-spec.org







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2019 Rental Guide







Coming Soon

Honda Ron Racing Rentals 2011 Honda Fit

MIDWEST

https://www.facebook.com/hondaronracing/



Mini Cooper

https://www.facebook.com/g.a.b.b.racing/



This list here is a sample.

The group below has many more cars with new ones always being added

https://www.facebook.com/groups/1963447977209282/

Circles are approximate.

Most racers cover a larger area for rentals



NorSport Racing Mike Clark

https://www.facebook.com/norsportracing/



CALIFORNIA

Offline Racing Ford Fiesta and Mazda 2 https://www.facebook.com/OLR14



Chris Taylor Racing Services Ford Fiestas

https://www.facebook.com/ChrisTaylorRacingServices/



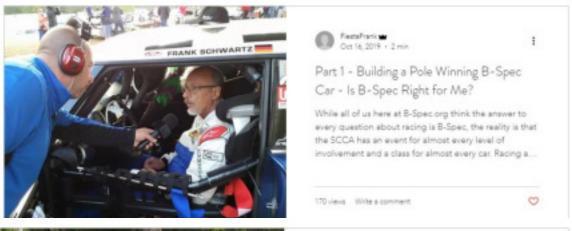




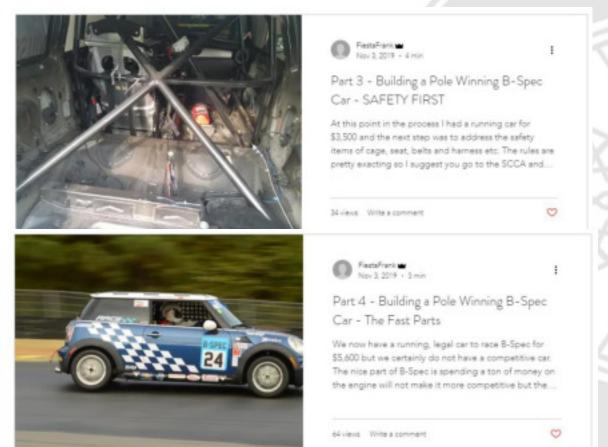




Mentoring Newcomers











Surprise & Delight



Billy Parrott David Oliveira Brad Davis Brian Metcalf Frank Schwartz G139=142 G156-157

Brandon Vivian Tony Roma WG-17

Rob Bax WG-9

Ed Wherry David Rosenblum WG-1-8



WOURAGE



B-Spec Runoffs® informal non-SCCA Contingencies

The following contingencies are not administered by the SCCA, but individually by each provider. If you win any of these awards, you need to contact the listed person for payment.

Listed in order of award size



AWARD	Race Track Maps Drive for 30 in 19		
BY:	F. Schwartz	WEBSITE:	www.buyracetrackmaps.com
AMOUNT	~ \$1,000	Who is Eligible?	Everyone who runs decal
	How is A	ward Determined?	Random Drawing
DETAILS	Requires 30 entrants. The winner will be given a set of AACS/RTM Decais to run the rest of the week. In exchange the winner will get a check for advertising equal to the early registration amount (does not include any camping, paddock or extra fees). Requires W9		



AWARD	Toybox Racing Hard Charger Award		
BY:	A. Nelson	WEBSITE:	https://toyboxracing.com/
AMOUNT	\$500	Who is Eligible?	Everyone
	How is A	Award Determined?	Most positions gained
DETAILS	In the event of a tie, the award goes to the highest finishing car		

AWARD	SVL LLC Award		
BY:	D. Mead	WEBSITE:	
AMOUNT	\$300	Who is Eligible?	Everyone
	How is	Award Determined?	Finish 10th or finish 15th
DETAILS	\$200 awarded to 10th place finisher, \$100 to 15th		



Please see Frank Schwartz or Ali Naimi for decals

AWARD	Offline Racing Award		
BY:	A. Naimi	WEBSITE:	www.offlineracing.com
AMOUNT	\$250 gift	Who is Eligible?	Everyone who runs decal
	How is A	ward Determined?	Random Drawing
DETAILS	Gift Certificate to be used at Offline Racing		

AWARD	Long Distan	Long Distance Tow Award		
BY:		WEBSITE:		
AMOUNT		Who is Eligible?	Longest distance from VIR	
DETAILS	COMING SOON			







THE LARGEST **B-SPEC RACE** IN HISTORY



10/13 2019

















'The Moose'























Bill from

Barbourville Parrott



#30 Travis

"Wonderkid"

Washay

"Flash"

Rosenblum









"Handsome"



Brad











The "Greensboro Bocket" Black





Phillips



#84 Fritz

"Sceep"





Brian Metcalf

#33 Rob

"Mr Clean"















"The Ghost"

Davis



"Gramps"







"Sherlock"

Carter





"The Brick"

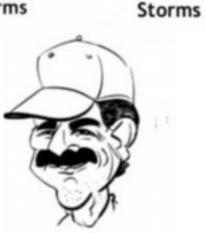
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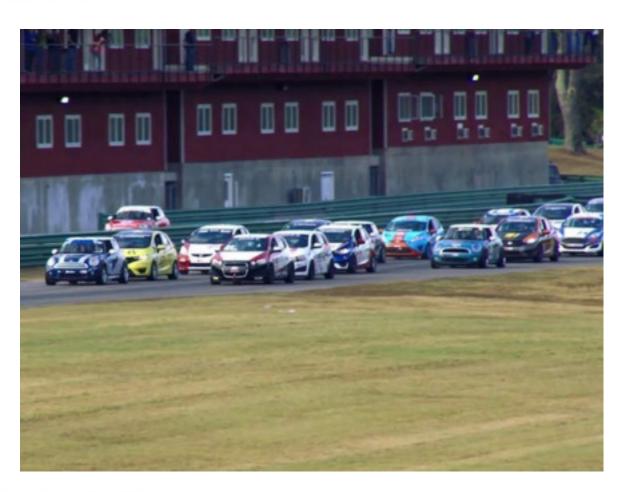
#12 WC

"The Moose " Storms

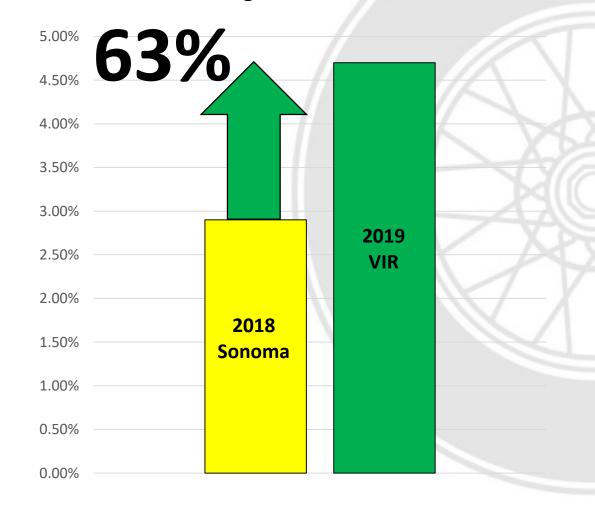
#19 Joe "The Hammer" Gersch



RESULTS – VIR By the Numbers



Percentage of Entries at Runoffs®







QUALIFIED

33

REGISTERED

28

ATTENDED

RACED

26





B-SPEC

BLACK

STORMS

STEWART

2013 Chevrolet Sonic

2051 Marda 2

Barbourville KY, USA

Greensbors NC, USA

Beverly Hills Mt. USA

2002 Chevrolet Sonic (1) WIN Watkins Glas

2014 Mini Cooper

Maple Ridge BC CANADA Best Finish

Cars for Sale and Reet: https://sexxx.facebook.com/graups/1963467977309083;

2rd Roebling Road

4 Seconds

Best Finish

5" Mid Ohio

Best Finish

WIN Charlotte

Best Finish

2019 SCCA RUNOFFS at VIR Official Spotter's Guide























2010 Honda Fit





















Best Finish

3" Heartland Park













China Grove NC, USA

DAUGHTERY

2038 Honda Fit. (II) WWL (Read Ad & VIII



















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Toyota Yaris = (1) Fiat 500 = (0)

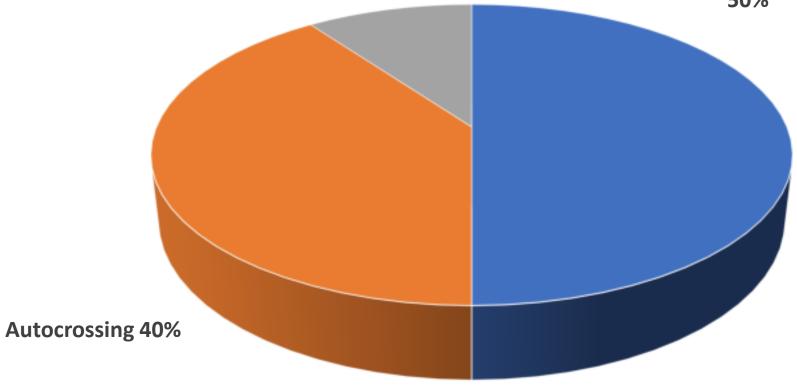




Where did we come from?













RESULTS – VIR By the Numbers

RESULTS

More than



% of the drivers were at their first Runoffs®

More than



% of the Honda Fits and Chevrolet Sonics attended

B-Spec drivers towed more than



,000 miles to attend





RESULTS - Trickle Down

• Runoffs – Went from th to





th largest Runoffs® Class

Majors – Went from



th to



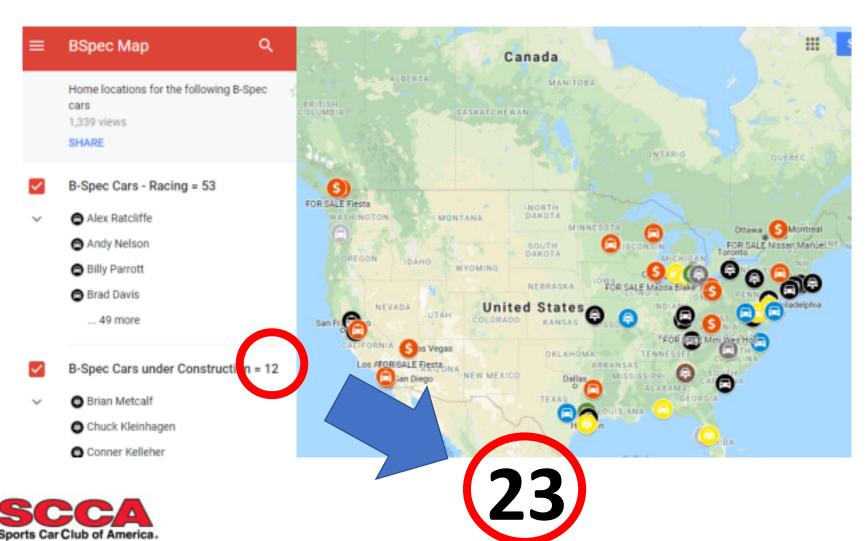
th largest Majors Participation

• Regional Results – B-Spec cars also run in IT – future increase





Future Growth







Every Month > 2 new B-Spec Cars are Built





Celebrate the Results

By the 2020 Runoffs we expect to have more than 65 B-Spec Cars in existence.

BRAND	Racing SCCA	Other Racing	Track Days	For Rent	For Sale	Under Construction	TOTAL
Mini Cooper	14	1	1	1	2	8	27
Honda Fit	12	0	0	0	1	8	21
Mazda 2	11	0	0	3	2	2	18
Ford Fiesta	5	0	1	2	2	2	12
Chevrolet Sonic	5	0	0	0	0	2	7
Toyota Yaris	1	0	0	0	0	1	2
Kia RIo	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Nissan Micra/Versa	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Fiat 500	0	0	0	1	0	0	1









ADVICE

1. DEFINE A GOAL

• engage people in meeting it and keep them updated on their performance

2. TELL STORIES/PLANT A GARDEN AND WATER IT

• introduce your racers to each other & create a place for them to share

3. SURPRISE and DELIGHT

Do something special for them that was unexpected





ROADMAP

IDENTIFY MEMBERS



PROVIDE A PLACE FOR **MEMBERS TO** CONGREGATE







IDENTIFY WHAT MAKES YOUR CLASS SPECIAL



TURN MEMBERS INTO **SALES PEOPLE**



BRING NEW PEOPLE INTO GROUP

MENTOR AND ASSIST

Part 2 - Building a Pole Wroning St-Spec Car - SWEETY FIRST



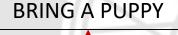
HELP PEOPLE

BECOME FRIENDS

MAKE PEOPLE

FEEL SPECIAL





BRING VALUE TO MEMBERS

BE THE PARTY







whe PARTY

Band: Allstar Weekend

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x-GALorImkI





SHOUT OUT TO

G Brian Metcalf and Nancy Lee Dunn for the Patches at the Runoffs









SHOUT OUT TO Jason LaManna for the H-Prod Map



GOOGLE.COM

H Production - Google My Maps

Location of H Production Drivers and cars







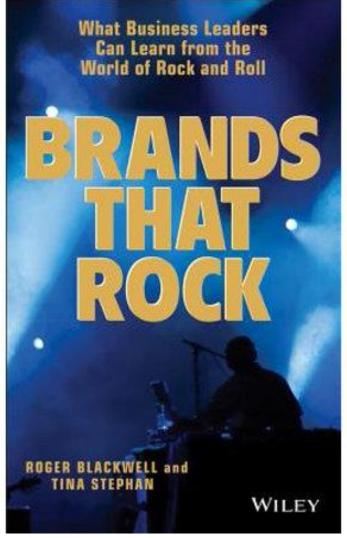
SHOUT OUT TO Dan Twomey for the GTL/GT4/GT5 Map











	Friends		
Customers	(Repeat Customers)	ans	
Are price-driven	Are value-driven	Are experience-driven	
Shop opportunistically	Shop purposefully	Shop for pleasure	
Want you to sell them products	Want products and good service	Want personalized advice and solutions	
Need a reason to buy from you	Prefer to buy from you	Are devoted to you and are yours to lose	
Are surprised by good service	Have a history of good experiences with you	Automatically assume you will delight them	
Drop you if they're disappointed	Tell you if they're disappointed and give you a chance to respond	Tell you if they're disappointed, want you to fix it, and are anxious to forgive and forget	
Are indifferent to you company	r Feel a connection with you, rationall and/or emotionall	Actively invest in their y relationship with you—time, emotion, attention, money	
Don't think or talk about your firm	Recommend your firm casually	Evangelize about you firm	



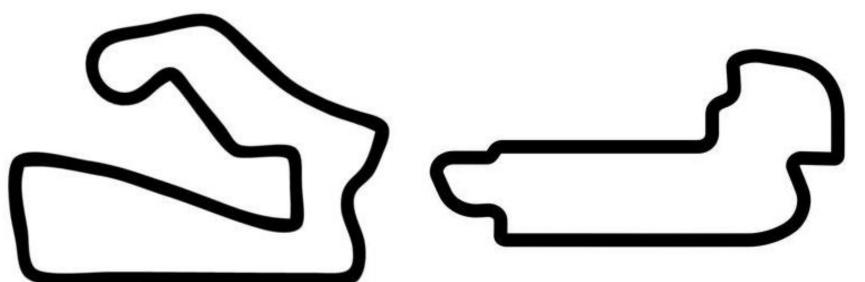












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