



## **Runoffs Report – August 25, 2023**

Ready for the weekend?!?! We marked off another week to the Runoffs and now we're down to four.

Here is the important news for this week:

### **Blayze Coaching:**

Blayze is introducing the first-ever Blayze Members Lounge at the SCCA National Championship Runoffs at VIR! The Members Lounge, located right off of pit lane, will be staffed with Blayze coaches, offer healthy drinks and food, all in an air-conditioned lounge for Blayze drivers to come, hang out, and learn throughout the race week.

### **Entry Fee Increase**

If you have friends who are waiting to enter, let them know that the race entry fee price goes up \$500 on September 1! That means they must be entered by 11:59 pm CDT on August 31, 2023 to take advantage of that lower fee.

### **Block Party**

The Block Party is back, Wednesday, September 27! It's the opportunity to chill amongst racecars with hundreds of your closest SCCA friends. Not being "official," start times will vary, but these parties are likely to kick off shortly after Wednesday's final checkered flag. Who's throwing the parties? We're estimating five to 10 parties spread across the Runoffs paddock, with separate gatherings hosted by SCCA Women on Track, New England Region, the Prod racers and more!

The best part of the Runoffs Block Party is there's no obligation to stay put – cruise the paddock and chat with drivers, teams, workers and fans. From party-to-party, you'll meet up with old friends and make new ones.

Want to bring the Block Party to your paddock? If your Wednesday evening party is open to all participants, SCCA will put your party on the Block Party map – literally. Email Heyward Wagner at [hwagner@scca.com](mailto:hwagner@scca.com) to find out not only how your party can join this epic paddock-sized Wednesday night party, but how SCCA will assist you in making it happen.

### **4th Annual Charity Golf Cart Parade**

This will mark the 4th annual charity golf cart parade on Wednesday, September 27 and lead into another favorite, the SCCA Block Party. Proceeds from the Golf Cart Parade

will again benefit Lemons of Love, an organization with deep motorsports ties that provides care packages to people affected by cancer. The parade will pull off the grid at approximately 6:15 pm. We will make a pass by victory circle, where our expert cart announcers will make the parade call. We will then make our way around the paddock ending up at a block party stop. So, it's time to start planning, get out those arts and crafts supplies and let those creative juices flow! Your goal is to raise money for your cart. Drivers, workers, crews, friends and family will "vote" with their dollars and the cart that raises the most money will be crowned the 2023 Golf Cart Parade National Champion and win a major award! Teams can register early online at [www.scca.com/cartparade](http://www.scca.com/cartparade). We will post the registered cart list so you can begin promoting your cart and collecting donations! Once you arrive at the track, swing by the SCCA Staff Office on the 2nd floor of the Pagoda to pick up your cart number.

### **Attention Pro Path Drivers**

If you are qualifying for the Runoffs using the Pro Path, don't forget that you need to purchase Majors Substitute Entries to complete your qualification process. Substitute entries must be purchased by September 13, 2023. Click for Instructions on how to Purchase Majors Substitute Entries.

<https://www.scca.com/downloads/69040-2023-majors-substitute-entry-communication>

### **Why use Flagtronics?**

At this year's Runoffs, we'll be running the Flagtronics electronic flag system for the first time. While not required, drivers are encouraged to take advantage of a special offer from Flagtronics to try it out during the event. Currently, just over 32 percent of the registered drivers have opted into this program. The more cars we have with Flagtronics units, the better.

Announced on July 11 (<https://www.scca.com/articles/2017458-scca-to-utilize-optional-flagtronics-in-car-flag-system-at-2023-runoffs>), Runoffs participants can purchase a Flagtronics FT200 in-car unit through the registration process, with the option of returning it after the event for a refund, less \$60 (\$50 rental fee, plus \$10 shipping fee).

If you already registered, but did not take advantage of this opportunity, you can still go into your event registration and edit it to add the Flagtronics unit. There are two options – the FT200 with a standard wiring harness for \$249.99, or the FT200 with a CAN Bus-compatible harness for an additional \$10. The CAN Bus harnesses allow for integration with many digital dashboards.

For more information about Flagtronics, you can visit [www.flagtronics.com](http://www.flagtronics.com). Be advised that only units purchased through Runoffs registration are eligible for the rental program.

### **Grass Paddock for RVs**

If you'd like to purchase a second paddock space in the Infield Grass for your RV, please contact us at [runoffs@scca.com](mailto:runoffs@scca.com) to make your request.

### **Sign Up for Mobile Messages**

Sign up to receive text messages during the event! This will be our primary communication method throughout the event, so don't miss a message and sign up today! Choose a keyword group(s) from the list below and send {Keyword} i.e. Text Bspec or FormulaA to 833-345-2423.

To receive general event information messages, text RUNOFFS to 833-345-2423.

Keyword Groups:

- Worker
- ASedan
- Bspec
- EProd
- F500
- FormulaA
- FormulaC
- FE2
- FormulaF
- FProd
- FormulaV
- GT1
- GT2
- GT3
- GTL
- HProd
- Prototype1
- Prototype2
- SpecMiata
- SRF3
- STL
- STU
- Touring1
- Touring2
- Touring3
- Touring4
- SMX

Link to Instructions: <https://www.scca.com/downloads/68582-23-ro-text-messaging>

### **Get Your Nominations In!**

We are accepting nominations for the Mechanic of the Year and Workers of the Year presented by Mazda. If you know of a deserving member, please submit their name and tell us about them! We will stop accepting nominations for WOY on September 4th.

- Mechanic of the Year nomination form - <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/7HVRHCL>
- Worker of the Year nomination form - <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RQWWKZM>

**News and Info**

And as always, you can find all kinds of event information on the Runoffs event page, [www.scca.com/runoffs](http://www.scca.com/runoffs). Check it out!

Have a great weekend,  
The Runoffs Team