



Runoffs Report (Drivers/Teams) - August 23, 2024

Another week down, another week closer to the 60th Anniversary SCCA National Championship Runoffs Presented by Sunoco at Road America! If you're counting down like us, we'll be in the paddock in five weeks' time!

Here are some key things to know today:

Are you Flagtronics-ready?

At the 2024 Runoffs, all cars are required to have a working Flagtronics in-car unit installed. If you have not yet ordered your in-car unit, it is recommended that you do so immediately to provide ample time for installation. You can order directly from Flagtronics at www.flagtronics.com/scca.

Per GCR 9.3.30: All cars competing in the SCCA Runoffs (beginning in 2024) must have a functioning FT200 unit that provides visual notification of changing course conditions to the driver while on track at all times. Driver notification may be made through the FT200 display or through the car's dash via an FT200 CAN Bus connection. It is recommended that the Flagtronics unit be installed with the buttons within the driver's reach while belted in the normal driving position to allow the driver to respond to messages from Race Control in the event of an impact that triggers the Flagtronics impact alert. The unique ID number of the Flagtronics unit must be provided to the SCCA during the event registration process or as defined by the event supplemental regulations.

Flagtronics has released its new FT-RD (Remote Display) unit for sale. This is developed specifically for vehicles with limited cockpit space. This unit is eligible as an alternative to the FT200 listed in the GCR (which will be updated to reflect this).

Once you receive your Flagtronics in-car unit, please make sure it has the most up-to-date firmware by connecting it to a computer via the USB cable, using the free Flagtronics Device Manager Software, available at www.flagtronics.com.

Be sure to add your Flagtronics serial number (etched into the bottom of the control unit, or available by connecting to Flagtronics Device Manager) to your vehicle in MotorsportReg.com. Simply select the vehicle from your garage and add the 8-digit number beginning with 2 in the field "Flagtronics Number."

More information will be coming before the Runoffs, including a video explaining what you'll see on the display and how the specific procedures listed in the supps will work."

Parking Update

Single-car paddock spaces became available for selection this past Wednesday. With a couple of rare exceptions, the process went relatively smoothly. The 25 remaining spaces with power were gone in about 15 seconds, and there were paved spots still available for almost two hours. You can access the live parking map at <https://runoffsparking2024.motorsportreg.com/parking>. To locate your friends (or arch-nemesis, click on the "People" helmet icon and type in a name.

If you are one of the 36 people that do not have a parking assignment, and you'd like to get one. Use the same link to find an open spot that suits you and reserve it. Some have asked if and when they can reserve a second space. We will take requests after the early entry deadline has passed on September 1. Only SCCA staff can assign additional spaces through the system. Please email requests to runoffs@scca.com.

There will be space for unreserved paddock across the Sargento Bridge between Turns 3 and 4, first come, first-served at the event.

Block Party is Back!

The Runoffs Block Party is back, Wednesday, October 2, 2024! 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? Typically, we have 5-10 locations throughout the paddock and we're working on finalizing those locations. 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 party to your paddock? If your Wednesday-evening party is open to all participants, SCCA will put your party on the map (literally). Email runoffs@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.

Drive a Mazda? Want Free Coaching?

Receive Complimentary Driver Coaching at the SCCA National Championship Runoffs, Courtesy of Mazda Motorsports!

Mazda Motorsports is excited to continue their tradition of offering

COMPLIMENTARY driver coaching at the SCCA Runoffs Presented by Sunoco to ANY racer who is participating in ANY Mazda! Professional Drivers Bruno Carneiro & Nathan Saxon will be on site representing Mazda at Road America to offer their expert coaching services at no cost to the racer, courtesy of Mazda Motorsports!

If you are racing ANY MAZDA at Road America for the Runoffs and are interested in having the opportunity to get valuable insights from these experienced coaches, please email Justin directly to schedule your time slot. Bruno will be at the Runoffs for Sunday & Monday Test days and will be joined by Nathan for Tuesday's Qualifying day, while Nathan will be onsite for the remainder two Qualifying days on Wednesday & Thursday. Time slots are first-come, first-served.

NOTE: As space is limited and we are expecting over 200 entrants who will be racing a Mazda, we are only going to open this up to each racer having ONE session throughout the week. If there are open slots the week of the event, this sheet will be in the Mazda Competition Parts Trailer and individuals will be able to sign up for additional time slots if desired. <https://www.mazdamotorsports.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/MM-Runoffs-Coaching.pdf>

Please email jc@specmx-5.com with your top five desired dates/times, and Justin will confirm your appointment with either Bruno or Nathan ASAP.

Sign Up for Mobile Alerts

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
- F600
- FormulaA
- FormulaC
- FE2
- FormulaF
- FProd
- FormulaV
- GT1
- GT2

- GT3
- GTL
- HProd
- Prototype1
- Prototype2
- SpecMiata
- SMX
- SRF3
- STL
- STU
- Touring1
- Touring2
- Touring3
- Touring4

Link to Instructions: <https://www.scca.com/downloads/72403-24-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 Worker of the Year on September 10th.

- Mechanic of the Year nominations: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/28PHCPG>
- Worker of the Year nominations: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/57YJNZ3>

Runoffs Facility Map

The Runoffs facility map has been posted! Check out where the specialties, shuttle stops, parking and camping will be located at www.scca.com/runoffsmaps or via the link at the Runoffs event page under "Event Information > Maps."

News and Info

And as always, you can find all kinds of event information on the Runoffs event page (www.scca.com/runoffs), including archives of these fine Runoffs Reports. Check it out!

Have a great weekend,
The Runoffs Team