



## **Last SCCA Lake Superior Pro Rally is Team's First**

*The new rally team of DFL Racing competed in their first set of rallies, which is also one of the last under the SCCA. Placing high in their class with few mechanical problems they hope to continue on their new path.*

([PRWEB](#)) November 4, 2004 -- While others were competing in their last SCCA sanctioned Performance Rally Houghton, MI local Carl Seidel, age 21, of Die Fliegen Legion Racing competed in his first this weekend of October 22nd and 23rd, the Ottawa Club Rally and Auto Value Keweenaw Challenge Club Rally run in conjunction with the SCCA Lake Superior Pro Rally based out of Houghton, MI. Teamed up with rookie co-driver Eric Iverson, age 22 from Minneapolis, MN, the two took to the stages in car number 690, their Production class 1988 Volkswagen GTI 16v. They headed out with a conservative approach on their minds for the weekend, as the main objective was to finish their first events and work on communication and driving skills.

Friday night the stages were rainy, muddy, and slippery. Yet the team was able to finish and place 3rd in Production class by more than four minutes. On the last stage they stopped to help pull a fellow competitor out of the ditch and lost over a minute, and also damaged a wheel and control arm on a rock when caught in a rut.

Saturday's event went smoothly despite the conditions. On the first stage of the day the team counted at least four cars already off in the ditches and trees and out of the rally. A few cars continued to succumb to the conditions and were forced to drop out throughout the day. Few problems arose with the car so Seidel and Iverson continued with their cautious approach and were determined to finish. The final stage of the day was the same road as the first stage that claimed many cars, but run in reverse. On stage they still caught the car in front of them, and were passed by the car behind them, but the main thing is that they finished. And despite losing more than two minutes on the last stage the team still finished 2nd in Production class.

Seidel and Iverson were very happy to have just finished, placing high in their class was an added bonus. In addition to conservative driving and good communication the team couldn't have done as well without their service crew and the support of Martineau and Morris Contracting, Inc of Houghton. The pair also hope to continue their rallying efforts in 2005, starting with the Sno\*Drift club rallies in Atlanta, MI on January 28th and 29th.

For more information on DFL Racing, please visit <http://myweb.nmu.edu/~cseidel/>

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