

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



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Latest Events

NEW MEMBERS

This fall, we welcomed twelve new members to the team and built on our structured training program to get them up to speed. Ethan Hittle and Ryan Burden led a multi-week onboarding effort, introducing new members to the team's structure, the Baja vehicle, SolidWorks fundamentals, and essential shop tools. Thanks to this effort, our team continues to grow in both membership and outreach, now totaling over 30 active members.

WINTER BAJA 2026

The UD Baja team will be competing at Michigan Tech's Winter Baja competition for the third consecutive year on January 31st. In preparation, the team has implemented several fixes to UDV2, with a focus on improving durability and overall reliability. For the first time, we will be bringing two vehicles to the competition: one dedicated to giving newer members valuable driving experience, and a second vehicle set up to be as competitive as possible.



We're excited to share that SGS Carbide Tools is supporting UD Baja by providing tooling for ongoing vehicle maintenance as well as the development of our next car, UDV3. Their support will help us improve manufacturing efficiency and continue pushing our designs forward as the team grows.



A big thank you to KISSsoft for providing UD Baja with licenses to their gear design software. This will allow our team to take next steps in designing and refining a highly competitive gearbox for our next vehicle.

Upcoming

- Spring Up the Orgs: January 16th
- Winter Baja: January 31st

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