



# EXHAUST NOTES



RallyCross #1 - M. Lovejoy

**NEBRASKA REGION SCCA**

**MARCH 2018**

## STEERING COLUMN



**Steve Ducharme**  
Regional Executive

Depending on when you read this newsletter, the Region will or did hold training events over the weekend of March 16 and 17.

Event Administration training on Saturday teaches the mechanics of various key positions at Solo and RallyCross Events, such as registration, timing and scoring, technical inspection, and other important jobs.

Sunday's training is for Solo and RallyCross Safety Steward and Youth Safety Steward license. This training is mandatory this year whether or not you already have a Safety Steward license. Bonus: lunch will be provided! Details and registration at [nrscca.com](http://nrscca.com).

There is a new MidDiv Time Trials (TT) Series held at various tracks from April through September. Nebraska Region is proud to co-sponsor two of these events with Des Moines Valley Region, one June 8-9 and the other along with a Club Race on September 22-23, both at Raceway Park of the Midlands (RPM). Plus, the MidDiv TT series has some awesome contingencies. You will find the schedule, rules, registration and other information at [dmvrscca.org](http://dmvrscca.org).

Time Trials are a track lapping competition against the clock, with more moderate safety requirements than Club racing – your Solo vehicle and safety equipment may already qualify without modification. The 2018 SCCA TT rules have changed somewhat, so you should review the new rules at [scca.com](http://scca.com). SCCA will hold the first ever TT Nationals September 28-30 at NCM Motorsports Park in Bowling Green, KY. — *continued on Page 2*

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*Steering Column — continued from Page 1*

The Board is conducting a thorough review of the Nebraska Region points system with the goal to make it more transparent and more equitable for those who contribute, participate, and compete in Region events.

Three minor changes were approved at the February Board meeting. First, participation at events outside Nebraska Region will no longer count toward activity points. Second, members wanting to earn activity points as workers at an activity points event that they are not competing in must sign up for a work assignment at registration.

Third, there is a change in the rule for determining driver of the year awards for the Gymkhana (Solo) and RallyCross Points Series. The points keeper will automatically drop the lowest scores from either 2 or 25% of each series' events, whichever is smaller. This means that two scores will be dropped if there are eight or more points events in the series, and only one will be dropped if there are fewer than eight.

Also, because the February RallyCross event was rescheduled for March 4th, there is no activities points event for February. That leaves nine activities points events scheduled for 2018, one per month from March to November. Those events are indicated by the letter A next to the events listed on [nrscca.com](http://nrscca.com).



Contributing to

### EXHAUST NOTES

If you have photos or an article you would like to contribute, contact Sara McEnhill at [mcenhill42@mac.com](mailto:mcenhill42@mac.com).

Please get material for the next newsletter to me by the first of the month.

## Nebraska Regional Meetings



Membership meetings are held as the need arises and will be announced in the newsletter or by postcard, and on the NRSCCA web site (<http://www.nrsc.ca.com>).

Board of Governors meetings are held on the last Thursday of the month at Denny's at I-80 exit 432. They have a meeting room and food (come early and eat). Members welcome. **Meeting starts at 7:30 PM.**

## MINUTES FROM THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING

**March 1, 2018**

**Start Time: 7:37 pm**

**Board Members Present:** Steve Ducharme, Chris Harrison, Anthony Jackson, Kevin McEnhill, Ben Tusa, Shana Hogan.

**Officers present:** Sara McEnhill, Ellen Zitzlspenger, Mark Walker, Chuck Garcia, Matt Sittel.

**Others Present:** Dave Zitzlspenger, Tim May, Doug Liebman.

**Convening:** Steve Ducharme

**Secretary:** Shana Hogan

### News and Announcements

- » Rallycross #1 was rescheduled from January 25, 2018 to March 4, 2018.
- » News from the Mid-Div convention.
- » Steve Ducharme shared that NRSCCA led Mid-Div championship programs with 152 entries in 2017.
- » There will be a Mid-Div Rallycross Championship held May 19-20, 2018, at Lucas Oil Speedway, MO.
- » Mid-Div Time Trials Championship Series held in 2018.



**Shana Hogan**  
Secretary

- » Club Racing Scedule in 2018.
- » Steve asked if there were any other news? No one else replied.

### Secretary: Shana Hogan

The Minutes were voted for. Chris Harrison motioned to approve. Anthony Jackson seconded. All for.

### Treasurer: Chris Harrison

Chris gave a report to the board members. Anthony Jackson motion to approve. Ben Tusa seconded. All for.

### Membership Report: Julie Heaton (not present)

No report.

### New Members: Matt Sittel

Not much to report for now. Steve suggested someone else work with Matt to help. Tim May replied he would work with Matt.

### Newsletter: Sara McEnhill

Sara discussed about making a few extra copies. Also if any member has photos to add please send them to her for the *Exhaust Notes*.

### Social Media: Ben Tusa

Ben discussed not much going on yet.

### Activities: Anthony Jackson

The first RX#1 in February had to be rescheduled to March due to bad conditions on the track .

Steward training will be held on March 17-18, 2018.

The second RX#2 will be held on March 25, 2018.

Anthony also mention the BOG Meeting will be the last Thursday of March.

### Rallycross: Mike LoveJoy (not present)

Steve Ducharme read the report Mike sent him. Mike would like to rent a sign at 1-80 speedway. Ben Tusa motioned for the sign. Chris Harrison second. All for.

There will be a two day RX event April 21-22, 2018 .

Doug Liebman discussed about long term use of 1-80 speedway. A few suggestions were discussed.

**Solo Chairman: John Hunter (not present)**

Steve reported John held a coarse design seminar. There was one person that came from the St. Louis region and a few from the South Dakota area. Steve reported 23 people attended this event. Steve also discussed having an Annual Tech held in April.

**National Events: Mark Walker**

Spring Nationals will be held May 25-26, 2018.

**Club Racing: Kevin McEnhill**

Kevin discussed Time Trials to be held in September and Club Racing the 22-23.

**Focus: Point System**

Anthony Jackson motioned to not have any February Activity points. Kevin McEnhill seconded. All for.

**Activities Points**

Steve motioned to keep 10 points for activity points.

1:B - Any out of region Events drop receiving activities points if on same day Nebraska holds their event.

2:B- Non registered workers sign in to get their points for the day.

No more than 25% or up to two events for the Driver of the Year award. Must have at least eight events to drop two. Regional RX or Solo, one drop.

Steve motioned. Ben Tusa seconded. All for.

**Old Business:**

Steve discussed ways to promote Street Survival School.

**New Business:**

None.

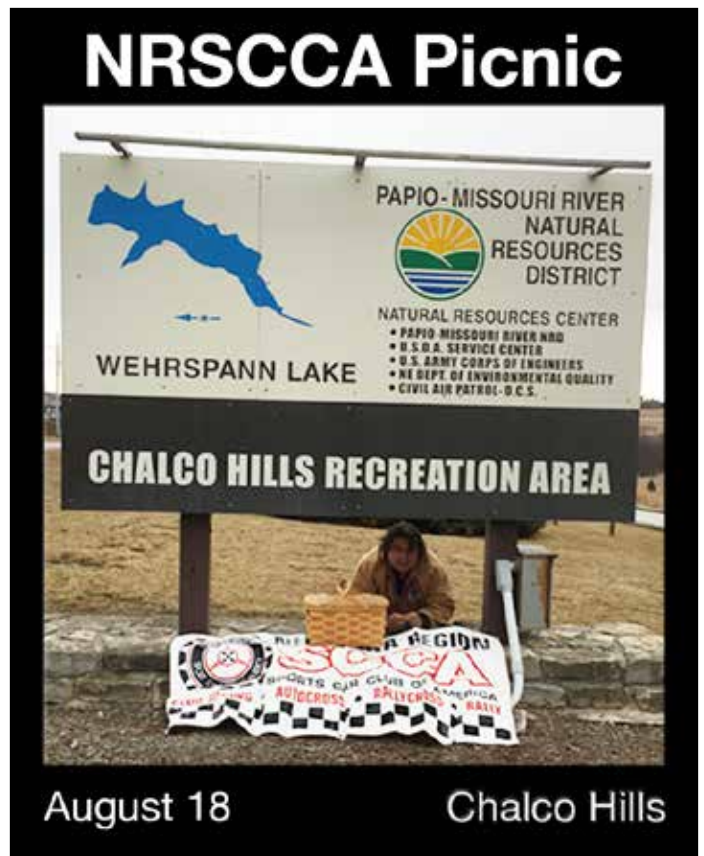
Steve motioned to end meeting. Ben Tusa seconded. All for.

Meeting adjourned: 9:54 PM.



**MID-DIV CONVENTION 2018**

photos submitted by Shana Hogan



August 18

Chalco Hills

## RALLYCROSS

Despite tricky weather conditions and rescheduling the event one week later than originally planned, the NRSCCA Rallycross 2018 Season got off to a great start on March 4th at I-80 Speedway in Greenwood, NE. 24 Competitors enjoyed 50-degree temperatures, a technical course design, and grippy track conditions that dried throughout the day. Things really worked out nicely to get the season moving in the right direction!



**Mike Lovejoy**  
RallyCross Chair

Of the competitors in attendance, nearly a fourth of those were new to the SCCA and Rallycross. It was great to see so many ready to hit the dirt for the first time! The rest of the field had plenty of experience, so getting these new competitors going didn't take long. Many of our experienced drivers took time to ride along with them and help make the most of their laps. It was encouraging to watch our veteran members help inspire the next generation of racers and introduce them to rallycross so seamlessly!

With those new racers also came some interesting entries! A Gambler 500 Oldsmobile, a franken-Fiesta, and self-modifying Scion made for a diverse lineup of competition. It was fun seeing such a diverse field take to the track and tackle the different challenges the course presented. Our first group of the morning were All Wheel Drive vehicles that carved out some of the newer areas being used, which also allowed for many of the newer competitors in Front and Rear wheel drive time to observe and get a better idea of what to expect before venturing out. We mixed veteran and new competitors on corner worker assignments to further help introduce them to Rallycross.

The site was in good shape for the event as the winter months had worn down the ruts from last season. Warm weather earlier in the week had given time to dry out the thawing permafrost underneath so we weren't greeted with a soupy mess like last year's season opener. The course design ventured into uncharted territory for the NRSCCA, weaving back behind the famed "Bowl" on the southern edge of the property. Careful attention to course place-

ment, thanks in part to talented safety stewards, ensured that competition would be drama-free. The course was quite long, ranging anywhere from 55 to 45 second runs with the quickest run of the day recorded at 42 seconds. With each driver taking 10 laps each, the track held up well to the hundreds of laps throughout the day.

This was a great way to kick off the season with lots of positive feedback and a solid day of competition in the books. With the next Rallycross less than a month away and our Super Weekend in April, it's encouraging to see our program off to a strong start already. As long as Mother Nature continues to cooperate, we'll carry this momentum with us into those two events. Once we're done with the first three events, there are plans for renovations that should give our I-80 Speedway site some well-needed love so we can continue to have successful events there. Things are looking up as we head into Spring!



# NRSCCA RALLYCROSS #1

March 4, 2018

I-80 Speedway

| Pos                               | Car # | Entrant             | Vehicle                      | Total Time |
|-----------------------------------|-------|---------------------|------------------------------|------------|
| <b>EVM</b>                        |       |                     |                              |            |
| 1                                 | 75    | Mike Lovejoy        | Hyper Blue 2016 Subaru       | 482.289    |
| <b>Stock Front Wheel Drive</b>    |       |                     |                              |            |
| 1                                 | 222   | Chad Rost           | Blue 2003 Nissan Maxima      | 488.001    |
| 2                                 | 11    | Ken Krenk           | Maroon 1993 Nissan Sentra    | 513.994    |
| 3                                 | 22    | Arthur Rost         | Blue 2003 Nissan Maxima      | 516.441    |
| 4                                 | 30    | Ethan Tesch         | Green 2001 Saturn SL1        | 625.529    |
| <b>Stock All Wheel Drive</b>      |       |                     |                              |            |
| 1                                 | 186   | Jan Gerber          | White 2006 Mitsubishi EVO    | 470.043    |
| 2                                 | 86    | Steve Ducharme      | White 2006 Mitsubishi EVO    | 485.547    |
| 3                                 | 42    | Sara McEnhill       | Blue 2015 Subaru Forester    | 575.621    |
| <b>Prepared Rear Wheel Drive</b>  |       |                     |                              |            |
| 1                                 | 5     | Brett Reifschneider | Red 1996 Mazda Miata         | 506.687    |
| 2                                 | 58    | Patrick West        | Red 1983 Oldsmobile Cutlass  | 580.087    |
| <b>Prepared All Wheel Drive</b>   |       |                     |                              |            |
| 1                                 | 45    | Mark Hill           | Wicked White 2006 Mitsubishi | 464.831    |
| 2                                 | 113   | Tyler Vandeman      | Silver 1999 Subaru Impreza   | 491.463    |
| 3                                 | 9     | Daniel McPherson    | Beige 2007 Subaru STI        | 512.578    |
| 4                                 | 444   | Jovan Kelsey        | Blue 2001 Subaru Impreza     | 520.294    |
| 5                                 | 13    | Tim Milliman        | Silver/White 1999 Subaru     | 529.912    |
| 6                                 | 1     | Brian Hilligoss     | Arcadia Green 1998 Subaru    | 562.373    |
| <b>Modified Front Wheel Drive</b> |       |                     |                              |            |
| 1                                 | 69    | Anthony Jackson     | Fuchsia 1994 Ford Escort GT  | 493.313    |
| 2                                 | 27    | Diego Garcia        | Grey 2006 Scion xB           | 548.283    |
| 3                                 | 22    | Maxwell Hobbs       | White 1988 Ford Festiva      | 596.645    |
| <b>Modified Rear Wheel Drive</b>  |       |                     |                              |            |
| 1                                 | 15    | James Wood          | Red 1999 Mazda MX 5          | 510.370    |
| 2                                 | 83    | Chris Graves        | Blue 1991 Volvo 240          | 554.752    |
| <b>Modified All Wheel Drive</b>   |       |                     |                              |            |
| 1                                 | 555   | Alex Reinkordt      | Blue 1994 Subaru Legacy SS   | 488.510    |
| 2                                 | 11    | Kevin Schatz        | Blue 1999 Audi A4            | 492.860    |



**MIKE LOVEJOY**



**CHAD ROST**



**KEN KRENK**



**ARTHUR ROST**



**ETHAN TESCH**

RallyCross photos submitted by  
Mike Lovejoy



# 2018 NEBRASKA REGION SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

(Dates are subject to change)

|                                  |  |   |  |   |                    |
|----------------------------------|--|---|--|---|--------------------|
| <b>M</b><br><b>a</b><br><b>r</b> | <b>3/4</b>   | <b>10/11</b>                                    | <b>17/18</b>                               | <b>24/25</b>  |                    |
|                                  |  | NRSCCA Training Camp (10/11)                    |  | NR:RallyX #2 (25) (A)(R)  |                    |
| <b>A</b><br><b>p</b><br><b>r</b> | <b>31/1</b>  | <b>7/8</b>                                      | <b>14/15</b>                               | <b>21/22</b>  | <b>28/29</b>       |
|                                  | Easter Weekend   | NR:Solo #1(8)(A)(S)<br>Super Tour - HMC         |  | NR - RallyX #3 Super-Weekend/RallyX School<br>MiDiv Solo - Topeka, KS | Majors - HPT       |
| <b>M</b><br><b>a</b><br><b>y</b> | <b>5/6</b>   | <b>12/13</b>                                    | <b>19/20</b>                               | <b>26/27</b>  |                    |
|                                  | Starting Line School (5)<br>NR: Test n Tune (5)<br>NR: Solo #2 (6)(A)(S) | Mothers Day                                     | MiDiv Solo - Oklahoma City<br>Majors - ISW | Spring Nationals<br>PS: Lincoln NE (25/26)<br>CT: Lincoln NE (27/28)  |                    |
| <b>J</b><br><b>u</b><br><b>n</b> | <b>2/3</b>   | <b>9/10</b>                                     | <b>16/17</b>                               | <b>23/24</b>  |                    |
|                                  | MiDiv Solo - Salina, KS  | NR:Solo Trials(9)<br>NR:Solo #3 (10)(S)         | NR:RallyX #4 (17)(R)                       | NR:Solo #4 (24)(A)(S)<br>FSAE - (20-23)<br>MiDiv Solo - Neosha, MO    |                    |
| <b>J</b><br><b>u</b><br><b>l</b> | <b>30/1</b>  | <b>7/8</b>                                      | <b>14/15</b>                               | <b>21/22</b>  | <b>28/29</b>       |
|                                  | MiDiv Solo Series  | NR: Nebraskhana<br>NR:Solo #5 (8)(S)            | NR:RallyX #5 (15)(R)(A)                    | Runoffs Qual - HPT  |                    |
| <b>A</b><br><b>u</b><br><b>g</b> | <b>4/5</b>   | <b>11/12</b>                                    | <b>18/19</b>                               | <b>25/26</b>  |                    |
|                                  | NR:MiDiv Solo (4/5)(A)<br>Divisional Championship                        |   | NRSCCA Club Picnic (18)                    |   |                    |
| <b>S</b><br><b>e</b><br><b>p</b> | <b>1/2</b>   | <b>8/9</b>                                      | <b>15/16</b>                               | <b>22/23</b>  | <b>29/30</b>       |
|                                  | ProSolo Finale Aug 31 - Sep 2<br>Solo National Championship Sep 4-7      |   | NR:RallyX #6 (16)                          | NR-DMVR<br>Club Race (22-23) (A)                                      | NR:Solo #6 (30)(S) |
|                                  | Runoffs Qual - HMC   |   |  |   |                    |
| <b>O</b><br><b>c</b><br><b>t</b> | <b>6/7</b>   | <b>13/14</b>                                    | <b>20/21</b>                               | <b>27/28</b>  |                    |
|                                  | NR:RallyX #7 (8)(R)  | RallyCross Nationals<br>Indianola, IA (12-14)   | NR:Solo #7 (21)(A)(S)                      |   |                    |
|                                  |  | Club Racing National Runoffs, 16-20, Sonoma, CA |  |   |                    |
| <b>N</b><br><b>o</b><br><b>v</b> | <b>3/4</b>   | <b>10/11</b>                                    | <b>17/18</b>                               | <b>24/25</b>  |                    |
|                                  | NR:Solo #8 (4)(S)  |   | NR:RallyX #8 (18)(A)(R)                    |   |                    |

Nebraska Region event weekends are shaded.

Pre-registration required on all Nebraska Region solos.

PS - ProSolo, CT - Championship Tour, MT - Match Tour, NR:Nebraska Region Event

ISW-Iowa Speedway, HMC - Hallett, KSW-Kansas Speedway, RPM-Raceway Park Midlands, MPH-Motorsport ParkHastings, GTW-Gateway Raceway



# HISTORY Bits

## WHAT THE HECK IS A FUNKHANA?

In the 1970's we ran Funkhanas. They were low speed, absolutely silly and fun, and they were great "kodak moments".

Funkhana's had some pylons to back between into boxes, and there were blind folded drivers with a navigator telling the driver which way to go around the pylons. A lot of fun if you had a navigator that was directional dysfunctional. Yelling directions like "turn, turn turn". Which way? "That way". That didn't work well.



There were courses for drivers with navigators holding the end of a rope tied to a tire and rim and a ball tied to the middle of the rope. Circle the tire without letting the ball touch the grounds.

And balls balanced on shovels, broom sweeping balls thru pylons while hanging out of cars, and more small events as part of the Funkhana.

For many more photos go to [nrsccahistory.com](http://nrsccahistory.com) and click on Darkroom. Then click on Funkhanas. You can also click on Newsletters and click on the December 1977 issue and see story on page 16. Enjoy!



**Patt Buell**  
NRSCCA Historian



## THRU THE YEARS IN NRSCCA

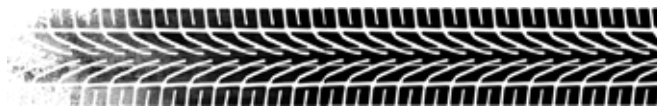


**Patt Buell and  
Ellen Zitzlsperger**  
NRSCCA Historians

The first photos we have of NRSCCA Gymkhanas/Autocrosses started in the early 1960's. They were run on any available surface we could obtain. Some look like today's RallyCrosses as they were run on dirt. And they used very few pylons as they were hard to obtain at that time. (Note how close the trees are)? These photos were taken by Jerry Baker.



*Clockwise From Left: Dr. Paul Reichstadt (1962), Bill Jurgensen (1962), Carolyn Heaton (1962), Jim Bishop (1962), Jerry Baker (1965)*



The autocross photos from the 1970's were taken by Patt Buell and/or Jerry Doctor at Eagle Raceway. Yes, another dirt track . . . it was an Autocross. But by the '70's SCCA was calling them Slaloms. The first pictures shown were taken in 1972 at the "Officer's Gymkhana", put on once a year by the board and the officers of the club.



*Clockwise from Top Left: Denny Skaanning, Dick Salem, Don Knop, Patc Henry*

The 1974 photo was back at Eagle, at an event that Dick Salem put on.

Another photo in 1976 was back at Eagle.

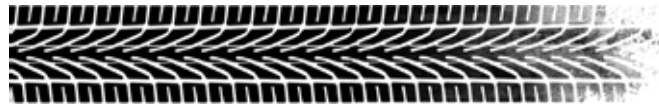


*Dick Salem (1974), Patt Buell (1976)*



*Molly Riley*

In 1978 we held another Autocross/Slalom, this one was called an “Ice-khana”, on the frozen ice at Dam Site 16. One of the local station sent out a photographer to shoot a news story on Nebraska Region. He wanted to ride in the car with Molly Riley. (Note: Two years later, Molly was NRSCCA’s first National Solo Champion - she drove fast... very fast). The cameraman got quite the ride.



In about 2003 SCCA introduced a new event called RallyCross. Yep, was really staged on dirt. And it started to attract interest in most of the Regions. And still does. The photos in this group were taken by Jerry Doctor, Patt Buell and David Cosseboom.

Kris Martison, Candy Gerber and Mike Lovejoy also shoot quite a few photos at the RallyCrosses.



*Clockwise From Top Left: Todd Coniglio, Brian Heinz, Josue Aleman-Montoya, Jim Wood*

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## BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING

**Last Thursday of the month, 7:30pm**

Monthly Board of Governors Meeting will be held at **Denny's** at the Flying J at Nebraska Crossing Outlets, Exit 432, From 7:30pm to 10-ish.

They have a meeting room and food.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**March 10-11: NRSCCA Training Camp**

**March 25: RallyCross #2**

**April 4: Solo #1**

**April 21-22: RallyCross #3 Super Weekend**

*Sign up for events at*

<https://www.motorsportreg.com/orgs/scga/nebraska>

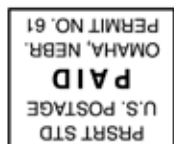
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