



Exhaust Notes

NEBRASKA REGION OF S.C.C.A.

MAY ISSUE

Your Notes are a little early this month--because we have several things we want all the members to know in time to attend coming events--and we also had such good April events, we are anxious to report the outcome to all of you.

April 9, 1961--I presume you've all heard that "the mails must go thru"--well, Nebraska Region has added--"A rally or something will be held on the day stated or else." Consequently we had a rally and it was a happy surprise at the number that turned out for the event on a cold and muddy day. The rally was set up by Tom McKenzie and it was a tough gimmick rally. Al Viscioni was co-chairman. It must have been rough--the scores weren't the best we've had but I think everyone had a good time. Jim Cushing and the 3 Klines helped at check points or registration. I don't think our R.E. thought too much of the day, but then I also have a hunch he wouldn't have thought much of any day that his clutch cable broke. Mike had a spare and with the tool kit from the car, Mike and Paul put in a new cable, and, needless to say, spent a good portion of the afternoon at work. There are times when some of our talented members do come in handy.

The results were as follows:

<u>Advanced</u>		<u>Novice</u>	
1. Hubert and Talph Tolman	3256	1. Harry Elliott	3781
2. Ralph Barbe	3707	2. George Metcalf	6240 guest
3. Jerry Tubbs	6144	3. Bruce Krebs	6422
4. Al Bebout	6829	4. Fischer	9060 guest
5. Downs	8890	5. Southwell	10,134 guest

Stroy-Lemmers and Jurgensen were DNF because of the clutch cable. Block and Byers, as well as Venger, arrived too late to enter the event but stayed to see everyone come in. Thanks for giving it a try, fellows. The next extra event rally will be put on by Tolman, Elliott and Barbe. Personally, I think Tom and Al did a good job for their first attempt at putting on an event with no help and little experience.

AUTOCROSS

Don't give up--George hasn't--and barring horrid weather again--the autocross will be held April 30. Registration at 12. First car off 12:30. Site of run is three miles north and three miles west of the truck scale at Wahoo, Nebraska. The truck scale is located at the Junct. of U.S. HWYS. 30A 77 and Nebraska HWY 109.

by Marcia Riecks

Forty entries braved the gusting winds to attend the Gateway Gymkhana put on by Marcia Riecks and Jane Tubbs at Gateway Shopping Center, Lincoln. Due to the strong winds, the previously planned two-course event had to be change to one combination driving-gimmick course at the last minute. Such things as throwing a basketball into a basket from the car, and pushing a beachball with the car had to be thrown out.

The course was set up so that the cars spelled out S.C.C.A. Part of the course was driven in reverse which caused a few problems to some drivers. While the drivers were intent on getting the car in the right places, navigators were kept busy getting blocks out of and back into the proper boxes. A row of bricks near the finish line proved quite a problem to some entrants. By the end of the event, the ten bricks had been reduced to a large pile of chips.

Thanks from the co-chairmen go to Jerry Tubbs, Al Viscioni, Paul Kline, Lyle Robinett and Jan Middaugh for their help on the course, and to Margaret Robinett and Alice Kline for handling the registration. Special thanks go to Lyle Robinett for transporting and rounding up all the equipment, and for the camp trailer used as the registration office.

Highlights of the event: George Gunther wheeling his newly painted Jag through the course for the best overall time, great times turned in by some Corvettes, and a great turnout of spectators, which helps make our club better known.

Thanks for making the Gateway Gymkhana a grand success.

Results:

Under 2000 C.C.

1. H. Tolman	Sprite	133.8
2. Barbe	TF	152.2
3. Robinett	VW	161.4
4. Steinberg	Sprite	164.
5. Edberg	Prosche	166.5
6. Viscioni	TD	179
7. Riecks	Sprite	179.6
8. Kline B.	DKW	182
9. Krebs	MGA	182.7
10. Cushing	Fiat	193.2
11. Carter	Porsche	194.2
12. Metcalf	Porsche	202.2
13. R. Tolman	Sprite	214.4
14. Middaugh	TR2	223.6
15. Kline, P.	DKW	224.
16. Hruby	TF	240.8
17. Elliott	Prosche	242.8
18. Buchanan	Alfa	267.5
19. Downs	VW	290

Over 2000 C.C.

1. Gunther	Jag	154.
2. Jennings	TR3	162
3. Bebout	Healey	193.5
4. Dunklau	Healey	194.5
5. Tubbs	Jag	210.7
6. Smiley	Healey	213
7. Krebs	Corvette	228.8
8. Venger	Corvette	230.3

Guests

1. Lucas	MGA	161.2
2. Doll	Corvette	163
3. McKenzie	Corvette	166.5
4. Camero	Healey	198
5. Gregory	MGA	222.5
6. Parker	TR3	236
7. Colberg	Wprite	242.2
8. Knapp	VW	250
9. Edington	Volvo	270

Powder Puff

1. Alice Kline	DKW	176.1	3. Preuss	Corvette	225.
2. Stella Schmid	MGA	184.2	4. Middaugh	TR2	286.4

Your editor would like to add a few more words about the event. First, I know that the officers and Jane Tubbs would like to thank Charles Fox for his help and assistance in securing the lot for us, as well as helping in many other ways. We sincerely hope he will have time to join us and actually run future events. Peronally I think Jane's idea of SCCA was really clever and both the girls worked hard in setting things up. It was a shame they had to depend on the men for help but some of the women who had promised to help, failed to show. The girls were more than

pleased with the unexpected help from Jan Middaugh. I also think we should give Bruce Krebs an extra star--not for entering twice--but for making an extra effort to be at the event, having run the Rally in Chicago on Friday and Saturday. The girls were so pleased to think he cared enough to make the effort to drive back for their Gymkhana; I don't think anyone even asked him how he did. Several of our other members were absent because of outstate rallies. It was fun and those who didn't attend, missed something. I also want to thank the newspapers and the TV studios for their publicity and news coverage. It was appreciated. This is the first time we've felt the local TV studio "cared." Big thrill for us in Lincoln

MAY 7 TIME TRIALS

On May 7 the Nebraska Region has been invited to join with the Lincoln AFB Auto Club in a Time Trial. Peter Coffield has arranged the invitation. I know that in the past we have had the pleasure of joining this group and every time we have all had a most enjoyable afternoon. Those interested in this event be sure and mark the date and come. Time: 1:00 P.M.--or is that 1300? Lincoln AFB naturally.

MAY 21 GYMKHANA and CONCOURSE

This is to be held in Norfolk, Nebraska and will be put on by Dr. Carey. Exact information as to time and place has not reached me, but either cards or another Notes will reach you before this event to give this information. Not only do I think Dr. Carey will put on a fine event but since we are still hopeful that we can have our RACE in Norfolk, I hope all members will make an extra effort to attend this one--and show everyone in Norfolk what a nice bunch of characters we really are.

I'm thrilled--something I've been wanting.....

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor and SCCA Members:

Due to the unpleasant situation which arose at the Gymkhana Sunday, April 16, I would like to make a couple of suggestions.

First, I would like to suggest that at the next officers' meeting, an amendment to our by-laws be considered, concerning protest at events and how they should be handled. This might save many tempers at future events. Second, I would also like to suggest that at all future Gymkhanas, time trials, etc., TWO men should time each car so that errors would be kept to a minimum and those like happened April 16 would be eliminated.

The errors April 16, of 30 seconds on three different cars that I know of, might not seem very earthshaking to some people, but to those concerned, they were very much so. The error of 30 seconds on my time, for instance, dropped me from 2nd place to somewhere around 9th. The trophy doesn't matter to me--it's the activity points.

I am not putting the blame for the situation Sunday on any particular person, but I do believe it could have been handled better by the Chairmen and committee. If rules were there ahead of time--then the whole thing could have been eliminated. My main concern is to see that it doesn't happen again, to a guest or a newcomer, or a visiting SCCA member from another Region.

BRUCE A. KLINE

Dear Editor:

The more I hear about the Gymkhana last Sunday, the more I feel like I want to send congratulations to Jane Tubbs and her committee for a fine event. I wish so much that I could have been there and helped.

MARY VISCIONI

ACTIVITY POINT STANDING THROUGH APRIL 16, 1961

Gary Riecks

1. Gunther	79.638	18. Lemmers (Act. Dir)	48.622
2. Barbe	77.360	19. Bloch	39.648
3. H. Tolman	76.736	20. Jennings	39.305
4. Viscioni	74.530	21. R. Tolman	39.201
5. Carter	74.287	22. Buchanan	39.076
6. Smiley	73.973	23. Elliott	39.051
7. Riecks	72.839	24. Porter	32.595
8. P. Kline	71.268	25. Stroy (Asst. R.E.)	30.000
9. Downs	71.194	26. Krebs	29.635
10. Cushing	69.284	27. Middaugh	29.329
11. Jurgensen (R.E.)	69.159	28. Coffield	19.938
12. Tubbs (Treas.)	68.745	29. Byers	19.764
13. B. Kline	64.640	30. Kretchmer	19.750
14. Robinett	59.726	31. Edberg	19.756
15. Steinberg	54.688	32. Metcalf	19.490
16. Venger	54.316	33. Hruby	19.208
17. Bebout	49.589		

Ladies

1. Kline	20.000
2. Van Dusen	9.997
3. Buchanan	9.992
4. M. J. Matthews	9.975
5. Schmid	9.954
6. Jurgensen	9.944
7. Riecks	9.896
8. J. Matthews	9.867
9. Carter	9.86.
10. McAllister	9.836
11. Preuss	9.772
12. Bebout	9.729
13. Middaugh	9.374

Members with NO points

1. Allison	14. Weaver
2. Anderson	15. Weisinger
3. Bennett	16. Wilson
4. Bly	17. Wolfe
5. Carey	
6. Franklin	
7. Hall	
8. Hallenbaugh	
9. Janke	
10. Mead (Secretary)	
11. Muffy	
12. Nelson	
13. Reichstadt	

If you have any questions or complaints, address them to Mike or Gary Riecks. Your editor doesn't know a thing about the points.

News from Don Stroy---He has received 7 requests for the Golden Rod, one from Florida, which is a pretty good response to the Ad in Sports Car, since it's only been out a few days. I also want to let the members know how lucky this Assistant R.E. is. Double congratulations to the Stroy's...Twins, James and David. It will be a few years before we can add them to our rolls, but we will all look forward to the day.

And congratulations to the Smileys. A new GRANDCHILD. When do we see a picture?

Get well wishes to Mary Viscioni who is recovering from major surgery. Hope her doctor will say sports car events are OK very soon. Welcome to 2 new members that I know of. George Metcalf sponsored by Harry Elliott; Dick Doll by Paul Kline. I know the club will enjoy these new men and we hope they will enjoy the activities of the club. See you both next event.

The R.E. Column has been omitted because Bill has been out of town and it was deemed a good idea to step up publication date to be sure members got notice of events in time to attend.