



# Exhaust Notes

**NEBRASKA REGION OF S.C.C.A.**

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### COMING EVENT

Saturday Evening, April 14, 1962

**HARE & HOUNDS - TREASURE HUNT.** Registration at Smiley's Dundee Texaco at 50th and Underwood, Omaha, at 6:30 p.m., first car off at 7:00 p.m. Tune up your eyes to see reflective tape. If you have been thinking about getting driving lights or new flashlight batteries (for TWO flashlights), now's the time. The course is set mostly over civilized but interesting roads. This will be a rain or shine (moon, that is) event, and will last until about 11:30 p.m. (if you stay on course.) Short gathering afterward at Ted's Steakhouse, near the Mormon Bridge, to award trophies. Eat lots of carrots and dust off the old army shoes. Much fun ahead.

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### MARCH EXTRA EVENT

March 4, 1962.

The snow was snowing, the wind was blowing, and the Mercedes was buried head-light deep in a snowdrift about two miles past the odometer check on the rally route. After the seminar in which Al Bebout discussed rally terms and procedures, seven daring cars took off on the two-hour rally to practice. Some left and went home upon finding a road in Maple Village impassable, but the rest of us went around and continued on. Paul Burke and Ralph Barbe in Paul's SAAB, and Stewart Triggs in his Morris were ahead of us, and we were sure we could go where they could. We were wrong. Al Bebout and Jerry and Sally Venger came along in the sweep car and helped for about half an hour to get us out of the drift. By that time, Stewart and Paul had turned around and appeared upon the scene, reporting the road impassable ahead. We gave up. John Porter spent a cold afternoon at the check point, without seeing a soul, and the only car who ever got to the check point, Jim Bishop, managed that only by cutting off the part of the course where we got stuck and picking up the route later. Jim got there after John had packed up and started back. Mike Lemmers and John Carter were last seen going that-a-way in Mike's Porsche. Jim Bishop takes the prize for winning, as he was the one who got the farthest. Most of us gathered at the Ritz Cafe in Omaha to hash over the events of the day and thaw out.

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MARCH REGULAR EVENT  
T-D Rally - March 18, 1962

Hu and Ralph Tolman sure know how to order good weather for rallies. It was one of the first top-down days of the year, and the roads selected for the course were, for the most part, very good. Two sets of instructions were issued for the first part of the rally, and we understand there were some muddy spots on the other course. Ask Bob Jennings and Gordon Smiley. In typical Tolman fashion, the rally was relaxed, except for a certain 71.2 mph bit on the Interstate (Gene Smiley, driving the Jeep, gave up on that one), the instructions were clear, and the whole day thoroughly enjoyable. Because of car trouble, some of the check point crew were unable to be at their stations in time, so the rally was scored on only two check points, which might account for the low scores in the results:

<u>Place</u>	<u>Car</u>	<u>Points</u>	<u>Driver/Navigator</u>
1	TR-3	44	Chuck Vest/Dawn Vest
2	Daimler	48	Don Wilson/Lois Wilson
3	Chev Wagon	61	Bob Wagner/Sylvia Wagner
4	Corvette	82	Bruce Krebs/Howard Olson
5	Alpine	97	Hamp Miller/Sue Miller
6	TR-2	100	Hal Middaugh/Jan Middaugh
7	A-H (Vette)	198	Fred Geschwender/Dave Hollenbaugh
8	Porsche	236	John Carter/George Gunther
9	Sprite	329	Stuart Schlund/Karen Hogren
10	Porsche	332	Jerry Venger/Sally Venger
11	Sprite	562	Jim Bishop/Mary Mehan
12	Olds F-85	618	John Porter/Al Bebout
13	Porsche	628	Dale Flesher/Dee Moline
14	TR-3	1200	Bob Jennings/Gordon Smiley
14	Willys Jeep	1200	Gene Smiley/Virginia Jennings

<u>Guests</u>			
1	MG Midget	289	Jerry Younger/Ed Richards
2	Healey	325	Ed Lindsay/Stan Kirkendaul
3	Porsche	682	Mike Miller/Jack Roll
4	Healey	1200	Larry White/Bev White

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National has requested that we encourage more of our members to participate in National Rallies. Their idea was for us to offer a set of Regional trophies for high point (to be determined by National) driver and high point navigator. Your officers approved this plan at the March meeting, and we'll accordingly have two more pieces of travelling loot to award at the Annual Meeting. The idea is being thrown around that the winners must have participated in at least 50% of our Regional events. Saturday lunch gathering at the Pit Stop is becoming a habit for about six of us. More are welcome, of course, but come prepared to hear some preposterous theories and lots of car talk. Howard Shoemaker has completed the design for the car-side decal. It was approved, and John Buchanan has it in hand for rendering into appliques. Next for Howard is the dash placque to be awarded to persons securing 15 new members. At this stage, a couple of members are heading down home stretch.

## REXNOTES continued

Hamp Miller and yours truly will shortly issue a membership roster complete with phones and addresses. We plan to leave space for you to enter additional new members as their names appear in Exhaust Notes. From this humble beginning, we'll start a hard-sell campaign to sign up more of the hundreds of non-member sports car owners in the region. One project - a handsome poster for garages and dealers to display.

Owing to military duties, Bob Jennings had to pass the Auto Show booth project to Mason Steinberg and Jerry Venger. Plans are for 6 cars plus the usual display and membership forms. Booth personnel needed and welcome.

There are always lots of projects that could be profitably started by any with spare time. If you have some and want to give your Region a boost, let me know. And please let Hal or Jan Middaugh know if you have any news for Exhaust Notes, and if you have ideas on doing a column, talk to Jan or myself. A short thought on events: none are perfect. The only criteria for who puts on an event is, are they capable, and are they willing. If you can satisfy these factors, let us know. It's not an exclusive group by any means. We need you.

Would surely be good publicity if you all talk up the H&H/Treasure Hunt to all non-members you encounter. We might all spend a minute working up a few complaints, ideas, projects, plaudits, etc. Would like to hear from more of you. Am never too busy to answer questions or collect your ideas at my office, 341-3939. Come on in; the water's fine.

-- The Hare  
(Al Bebout, Regional Exec)

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CALENDAR COMMENTS

In spite of the threat of snow or mud bound roads, no cars on course in the March T-D Rally had difficulty getting through, and the day turned out nice enough for top-down weather for a few. The event started at the Holiday Inn and ended there. The run was through the area generally south and west of Lincoln and over near the atomic power plant. With less than a minute separating the first six cars, there must have been some rather sharp pencil work.

The April event will be a Saturday night affair by Gene Smiley and Al Bebout, and of the hare and hounds nature. It must all be on good roads, as my spy tells me that the course has been laid out during the week of the floods. Starting time and other details are elsewhere in the Notes, and you will be getting cards. Spread the word among all the cars and people.

Saturday and Sunday, April 28 and 29, the Colorado Region is scheduled to hold races at Alliance, Nebraska. Our competition drivers hope to make the event. George Gunther (if Chennitti is willing), Mason Steinberg (if the Sprite can tow the Chrysler), Gene Smiley (if he returns from Monte Carlo and the European circuit), and John Carter will probably drive the fierce green coupe there, race, and drive back, and Jerry Venger if he can find a car. May 6th, we will try to have an extra event, perhaps somewhere in the Columbus area. The Regular May event will be in Grand Island under the supervision of Don Wilson. This will be on Sunday the 20th, and I hope lots of us can make the journey. Let's start some talk about a gathering in Lincoln and Omaha, and tour out Sunday morning. Latest word on this event is that it will be rally type.

The activities committee is working up a guide to assist people who are working on or working up events of all types. Any comments or suggestions will be warmly accepted - write, call, or jot it on a \$10 bill and send it to me.

-- John Porter, Activities Director

March has set a record, with the gain of SIX new members: Larry Brownell, Howard Shoemaker, Don Bentley, Frederick Geschwender, Robert Watson, and Edwin Lindsay. We feel sure that you will each get a great deal of pleasure out of your membership. Welcome aboard, and we hope that you will come to all of our events and take home alot of the hardware. In addition to the six new members, several old members paid their dues and following is a list of their names, addresses, phone numbers, for you to add to your membership roster:

Bennett, Leland J.	Hqs. 16th US Army Corps 21st & Woolworth Ave.	Omaha	221-3389
Bentley, Don (Ruth)	1701 North 59th Street	Omaha	556-9074
Brownell, Larry E.	PO Box 864 3200 South 11th St.	Co.Buffs, Ia.	
Byers, Dr. Robert J.	1506 N. Nye	Fremont	
Geschwender, Frederick L.	4605 Stockwell	Lincoln	148-1043
Hollenbaugh, Capt. David	1001 Dale Drive	Lincoln	
Jurgensen, Dr. William	9304 Leavenworth	Omaha	391-2265
Kline, Paul (Alice)			
Kline, Bruce			
Krebs, Bruce	Box K	Humphrey	
Lindsay, Edwin D.	1904 W. Division	Grand Island	DU4-2401
Mead, Wilbur (Jeannine)	9710 Woodridge Lane	Omaha	391-9092
Sambold, Capt. Albert J.	113 Cedar	Bellevue	291-6129
Shoemaker, Howard W., Jr.	563 South 34th St.	Omaha	341-4287
Stern, Donald L.	334 South 37th, Apt. 20	Omaha	346-3463
Wagner, Robert (Sylvia)	702 Parkwood Lane	Omaha	556-2266
Watson, Robert G. (Carole)	1105 North 48th Ave.	Omaha	556-3309

The addition of the above names to your list will give you a total of 63 members. Total percentage of attendance at the last regular event: 24%.

Paul and Bruce Kline's address has been omitted because the Klins are at present en route to New Jersey. They decided to call the Nebraska Region "home", however, and you'll find their new address in the Notes as soon as I get it.

Harry Elliott has left our Region and headed for the Blue Ridge Mountains and Knoxville, Tennessee, where his new address is: c/o Snider Motors, 209-213 E 5th Avenue, Knoxville, Tennessee. We're sorry to lose you, Harry, but good luck in the new job.

Another effort to keep our far-flung membership in touch: Jack Grandstrom, with the help of Kenny Geiken, has consented to send reports of the Grand Island activities to us for the Notes. Thanks.

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WANT ADS

For Sale: 1958 Porsche 1600 Coupe. . . . . \$2,200.00  
John Carter, 3267 So. 77th St., Omaha, Nebr. 393-2006

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See you at the Hare & hounds!