



# The Blower

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Newsletter of Neohio Region, SCCA

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Autocross Event at  
the IX Center  
September 18th**

**Neohio Region  
Driver Points and GLD  
Rally Standings are  
Available on the Region  
Website**

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## The Starting Line REport by Dave Lancaster

These last two months have been very active for the NEOHIO Region. We have hosted a Road Rally, Club Race, and two Solo events with one being at a new venue. It has been fantastic to watch the team constantly working together to bring quality motorsport events to Northeastern, OH.

In my July RE article, I was trying not to say too much about our Solo Program as Brandon Anderson was in the middle of negotiations with the IX Center. If you missed it, he pulled it off and the team has already put on a great first event. We clearly have several competitors in NE Ohio that want more autocross events and different options, but it has been a struggle for us finding acceptable pavement. The Eastlake lot is a great option for us to hold smaller events, but the hardcore enthusiast demands a larger site and now we have it.

The IX Center gives us everything we need. It is a large lot with great pavement and centrally located in our region. Brandon receives much of the credit as he and I have been working on sites and when they returned his email, I was on a business trip and could not make the meeting. Not only did he get us three dates for 2022, but he also hosted a sell out in his first event. We had 108 competitors and many National Solo Champions attended or worked the event. We have two more dates to finish 2022 and if we remain good citizens with the IX Center, we should be able to continue this partnership into the future with possibly some larger Events.

The Solo Team received great reviews from our competitors after the first event. The people I spoke with were very complimentary of how quickly we adapted our program to a large lot and acted like we had been doing events like this all along. The teamwork you showed was outstanding, I guess it is time for me to get the C5 ready and come out and play. Who is ready to join me?

We still have more to offer in 2022. Here is what we are working on:

1. Solo has two more events at the IX Center and possibly a small end of the year event at Eastlake.
2. Road Rally has the Johnny Apple Seed Run on October 1, 2022, starting in Bolivar, OH. This is a great way to witness the fall colors driving on a Rally Master Ron Johnstonbaugh designed course.
3. Time Trial will be hosting the final Ohio/PA Time Trial Battle at Nelson Ledges October 8-9, 2022. Let's show those Steelers supporting fools that Ohio has the top drivers in the region.
4. It is official, we are going to support the Halloween Divisional with the MVR Region at Nelson Ledges. Nelson Ledges Road Course wants to build on this tradition and has requested we be involved. Stay tuned as the team is working on some exciting things for this event.
5. The Street Survival team is working on a date in early November to bring this program back to the area.

Let's have a great end to our 2022 Neohio Racing Season and thanks for all the support.



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### Monthly Meetings

Neohio Board meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month. Any exceptions will be published in the Blower.

Meetings are held at 7:00 PM in the private room at Winking Lizard, 25200 Miles Road, Bedford Heights, OH 44146. Members and guests are encouraged to attend.

Membership meeting dates and times are shown in the **Blower**.

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## Neohio Region, SCCA Inc. Calendar of Events

<b>August 20</b>	<b>Autocross at IX Center</b>	
<b>September 18</b>	<b>Autocross at IX Center</b>	
<b>October 8-9</b>	<b>NEOHIO Time Trial at NLRC</b>	

CCPL	Lake County Captains Parking Lot, Eastlake, OH
GCF	Geauga County Fairgrounds, Burton, OH
NLRC	Nelson Ledges Road Course, Garrettsville, OH
TBD	To Be Decided



### Neohio Members at GingerMan and Mid-Ohio

#### The Bert Sprints Majors at GingerMan Raceway - July 23 – 24

Jonathan Davis - SM - 4th & 3<sup>rd</sup>      William Moore - GT2 - 2nd both days

#### Todd Cholmondeley IT/SPECTACULAR at Mid-Ohio - July 30-31

<p>Chase McIntyre - SM - 2nd &amp; 5<sup>th</sup>          Bob MacDonald - SM - 10th both days          Dan Harding - SM - 17th &amp; 16<sup>th</sup>          James Libecco - SRF3 - 1st &amp; 3<sup>rd</sup>          Lee Spuhler - SRF3 - 21st &amp; 22<sup>nd</sup>          Ryan McManus - GT1 - 1st Sat.          Bill Pristas - GT1 - 4th both days          Andrew Mistak - GT2 - 2nd both days          Sean Hinkle - AS - 1st Sat.          Dan Harding - STL - 2nd both days          Ken Alderson - FP - 2nd both days          Jason Jacko - ITC - 1st both days          Stephen Jacko - ITC - 5th &amp; 2<sup>nd</sup>          JT Novosielski - FC - 1st both days</p>	<p>Stewart Lovdal - SM - 8th &amp; 7th          Ray Huang - SM - 15th Sat.          Raymond Glover - B-Spec - 6th both days          Dave Lancaster - SRF3 - 18th &amp; 8th          Bill Hornack - SRF - 3rd both days          Al Gaudino - GT1 - 3rd Sun.          Aaron Quine - GT2 - 1st both days          Terry Gilles - GT2 - 3rd Sat.          Evan Gaston - GTL - 1st both days          Nicholas Boyeas - ITA - 5th &amp; 6th          John Gaydos - FP - 3rd both days          Matthew Jacko - ITC - 4th &amp; 5th          Jon Schneider - ITC - 9th Sat.</p>
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**From: *Debbie LaFond***



**THANK YOU *Carbotech* Brakes!**  
**Longtime supporter of Neohio Region and a major sponsor of our July event at Nelson Ledges!**

## Neohio Region, SCCA

### Board Meeting Minutes, July 5 2022

**Members Present:**

Taylor Allen (Trustee '22)	Betsy McIntyre (Trustee '22)	Bill Crowe (Trustee '23)
Bill Moore (Trustee '23)	Brenda Nick (Trustee '23)	Pat Prill (Trustee '24)
Kurt Stevens (Trustee '24)	Dave Lancaster (R.E.)	Bob MacDonald (Asst. R.E.)
Joe Blaha (Treas.)	Ray Glover (Rec. Sec.)	Tara Oram (Mem. Sec.)

**Members Excused:** Brandon Anderson (Trustee '22), and Daniel Griewisch (Trustee '24).

**Guests:** Greg Lester, Jennifer Dietz, Debbie LaFond, and Duane Harrington.

**Call to Order:** The Zoom meeting was called to order by R.E. Dave Lancaster at 7:32pm.

**Review of Prior Minutes:** Minutes from the June 7, 2022 Zoom meeting were emailed to the Board by Ray Glover for approval. A motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Kurt Stevens, seconded by Pat Prill, and approved without objection.

**Treasurer's Report:** Joe Blaha emailed his July Treasurer's Report to the Board and reported the following: There are some small outstanding checks. The Enduro reimbursement check came in. The Divisional track deposit has been paid. Waiting on reimbursement from Summit Racing. A motion to approve the June Treasurer's Report was made by Bob MacDonald, seconded by Taylor Allen, and approved without objection.

**Membership:** Tara Oram reported the following:

There are currently 616 members    18 are lapsing    16 new    20 lapsing in July

**Officer and Committee Reports:**

**Regional Executive Report:** Dave Lancaster reported the following:

Divisional car counts are down all over, working with Brian Ross on some options.

Bob MacDonald gave a brief summary of the Large Region RE's Meeting.

**Club Racing:** Debbie LaFond reported the following regarding the July Divisional:

51 entries as of right now.    A great team has been assembled.    Can't get workers to register on MSR.

**Road Rally:** Greg Lester reported the following:

Milk Run Rally is ready to go on July 30, 2022, just need more entries.

**Rally Cross:** Dave Lancaster reported the following:

Still working with Nelson Ledges to get some dates.

**Solo:** Dave Lancaster reported the following from Brandon Anderson:

We will be holding 3 events at the I-X Center – July 30, August 20, and September 18, 2022.

There will be Test and Tune at Eastlake on July 16 to test out the new pavement. Entry is limited to 15.

Solo is requesting a \$5,000.00 budget for the four events.

The I-X Center is also interested in hosting the Street Survival School, this information has been forwarded to Bob MacDonald.

**Street Survival:** Bob MacDonald reported the following:

Not much on it yet.    Considering sites, I-X Center?    Unlikely to be September, more like October or November.

Brenda Nick noted that Homecomings are usually in October

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**Meeting Minutes continued from previous page**

**Social Media/Website:** Jennifer Dietz reported the following:

Would like to get photos and bios. Of the officers and trustees for the new website by July 25, 2022.

Ditto for the Hall of Fame.

Joe Blaha asked if the monthly maintenance fee should be paid by credit card or direct withdrawal? Credit card was selected.

**Old Business:**

Status of the email list? Tara Oram and Jason Pokines to work together on it.

**New Business:**

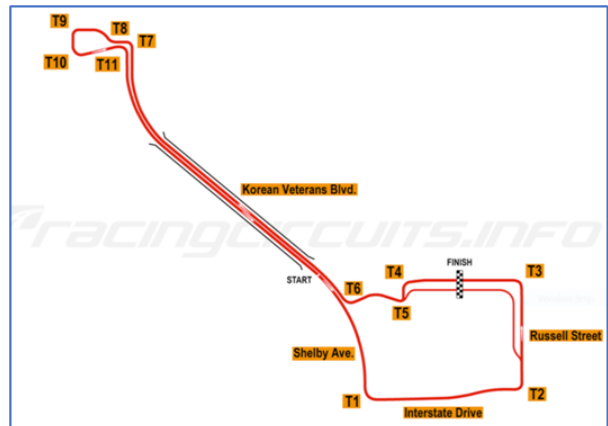
Solo Budget – a motion to approve the \$5,000.00 solo budget was made by Bill Crowe and seconded by Pat Prill. Duane Harrington noted there was no written budget submitted to the Board with estimated expenses and income. Bill Crowe amended his motion to make approval contingent upon receipt of an acceptable written budget. Revised motion approved without objection.

**Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn made by Bob MacDonald, seconded by Bill Moore, adjourned at 8:17pm.

Next Meeting to be 7:30pm August 2, 2022 via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted, Ray Glover, Recording Secretary

**The Music City Grand Prix – Trans AM TA2 August 6, 2022 – My first Street Circuit  
A Message from Neohio Member Bill Moore**



I had the opportunity to take my Trans AM TA2 car to Nashville to run with IndyCar and Stadium Trucks in August. The track runs through the streets around Nissan Stadium and uniquely passes over the Cumberland River twice. This bridge, the Korean Veteran's Memorial Bridge is longer than the longest straight at Indy and according to many is the only bridge over water for any street circuit in the world. Over 1650 feet of the Nashville circuit is located on bridges, and emergency divers are at the ready in the Cumberland River if needed!



**NELSON LEDGES ROAD COURSE**

**GARRETSVILLE, OHIO**

**Track Length (Miles): 2.00**

CLASS	TIME	AV.SPEED	DATE	DRIVER	CAR
AS	01:11.032	101.363	5/26/2012	Tom Sloe	Ford Mustang
Baby Grand	01:17.414	93.006	6/16/2001	Rick Neale	Baby Grand
B-Spec	01:19.177	90.935	10/31/2020	Frank Schwartz	Mini cooper (BS)
CFC	01:11.492	100.711	7/10/2005	Tim Smith	Crossle 68F
CFF	01:09.470	103.642	5/22/1993	Jeffrey Duncan	Zink Z10C
CSR	01:01.198	117.651	5/26/2012	Jacek Mucha	Swift jms016cp Mazda
DP	01:14.380	96.800	8/30/2008	Robert Mazza	Toyota Celica GTS
DSR	01:02.510	115.182	7/4/2010	Matt Machinko	West WR06
EP	01:11.894	100.147	7/13/2003	Craig Chima	Elva Courier
F4	01:08.898	104.502	10/30/1994	Robert Lung	Gleumci
F5	01:07.702	106.348	7/29/2007	Brian Novkar	Novkar j360
F2000	01:19.118	91.003	10/18/1995	Tad McBlane	Van Diemen RF94
FA	00:58.236	123.635	7/10/2021	C. Ahsen Yelkin	Swift 014
FC	01:02.849	114.560	5/16/2004	Rick Silver	Van Diemen RF98
FE	01:03.188	113.946	7/4/2009	Scott Rettich	Formula Enterprise
FE2	01:01.325	117.407	10/30/2021	James Libecco	SCCA Mazda FE2
FF	01:06.485	108.295	5/16/2004	Tom Schweitz	Van Diemen RF99
FM	01:04.103	112.319	7/5/2009	Juan Marchand	Star Mazda
FP	01:12.950	98.698	7/5/2009	Larry Funk	Honda CRX Si
FS	01:19.857	90.161	5/18/2013	Jim Smalley	Mazda FM
FSSCCA	01:18.647	91.548	5/1/2005	Andrew Shelton	Citation 90V
FST	01:12.687	99.055	6/28/2009	Doug Sein	Mysterian MS-1
FV	01:14.848	96.195	5/16/2004	Guy Pipitone	Protoform P3
FV1600	01:19.338	90.751	10/28/1995	Kery Cornelius	BRD AFV02
FX	01:05.103	110.594	7/10/2022	Dr. Daniel Galiffa	Mazda USF 2000 MRZ
GP	01:15.107	95.863	5/20/2001	Kevin Dennis	Nissan 510
GT Pinto	01:18.239	92.026	8/20/2000	Bruce Shelton	Ford Pinto
GT1	01:02.407	115.372	5/30/2010	Amy Ruman	Chevy Corvette
GT2	01:05.920	109.223	5/29/2022	Aaron Quine	Chevrolet Camero
GT3	01:07.867	106.090	7/4/2010	Mike Cyphert	Toyota Celica
GT4	01:15.562	95.286	5/18/2003	Warren Montague	Toyota Tercel
GT5	01:14.777	96.286	5/20/2001	Jack Baumgardner	AM Mini Cooper
GTA	01:07.720	106.320	8/2/2020	Chris Dubin	Chevy Monte Carlo
GTL	01:13.355	98.153	5/25/2008	William Pintaric, Jr.	Nissan 200SX
HP	01:14.891	96.140	7/30/2006	Craig Chima	MG Midget
IT7	01:18.513	91.705	9/29/2012	Scott Nutter	Mazda RX7
ITA	01:15.755	95.043	10/15/2005	Jon Marhefka	Honda CRX
ITB	01:19.085	91.041	10/31/2004	Constantine Gheroghe	VW Golf GTI
ITC	01:20.632	89.295	9/29/2012	Jim Royal	Renault Encore
ITE	01:10.325	102.382	6/30/2007	Gary Nickerson	Chevy Corvette
ITR	01:13.840	97.508	9/29/2012	Abdulrab Aziz	BMW 321
ITS	01:14.408	96.764	10/15/2005	Rob Huffmaster	Mazda RX7
Legend	01:20.647	89.278	7/10/2021	Rick Kozak	Ford Coupe
P2	01:05.561	109.821	7/10/2022	Allen Franzolino	Beasley B2
S2000	01:04.465	111.689	7/4/2010	Corey Fergus'	Carbir CS2
SCA	01:04.977	110.808	10/23/1994	Chris Winkler	Shelby CanAm
SM	01:15.810	94.974	10/31/2020	Charlie Campbell	Miata Miata
SM2	01:16.169	94.527	10/31/2020	Robert Kucera	Mazda Miata
SMT	01:19.187	90.924	10/19/2008	Tex Melotti	Mazda Miata
SP	01:18.974	91.169	7/10/2022	Robert Liddle	Chevrolet Corvette
SPO	01:06.150	108.844	7/10/2021	Mark Mercurio	Chevrolet Camero
SPU	01:10.055	102.776	9/29/2012	Ken Fisher	Cup-Lite Monte Carlo
SR	01:16.560	94.044	8/22/1993	Sean Sholtis	SpecRacer
SRF3	01:09.965	102.909	10/31/2020	James Libecco	SRF3
SRFord	01:14.189	97.049	5/26/2008	Nick Evans	SRFord
SRX7	01:19.925	90.084	7/12/2008	Joe Nelson	Mazda RX7
SSA	01:19.392	90.689	7/3/1994	David Daugherty	Nissan 300ZX
SSB	01:16.897	93.632	5/25/2008	Michael Scomavacchi	Pontiac Solstice
SSC	01:19.225	90.880	5/24/2009	Joel Lipperini	Honda Civic
SSGT	01:17.030	93.470	8/22/1993	Bob Strange	Camaro
SSM	01:19.048	91.084	7/1/2007	Payton Wilson	Mazda Miata
ST	01:13.438	98.042	10/19/2008	Frank Barba	Dodge Viper
STL	01:14.749	96.322	5/28/2022	Mark Beyer	Honda Civic
STO	01:07.800	106.195	7/3/2011	David Pintaric	Dodge Viper
STU	01:13.643	97.769	5/26/2012	Eric Heinroch	BMW Gulf E30M3
T1	01:08.553	105.028	7/4/2010	Tom Sloe	Chevy Corvette
T2	01:08.960	104.408	10/31/2020	William Wachs	Porsche Cayman
T3	01:14.461	96.695	10/31/2020	Bill Pintaric	BMW M3
T4	01:19.915	90.096	5/19/2013	Greg Vandersluis	Ford Mustang
TCC	01:09.869	103.050	7/1/2007	Craig Celston	Chevy Corvette



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## Notes from the Director's Chair Area 4 Director Update for August 2022

This month I competed in a GLDiv Solo in Fort Wayne, IN and worked F&C at the SBR/DET Major at GingerMan Raceway. I will also be driving to Kansas City for the BoD meeting on 7/29, 7/30. While there, I will also be sitting in on the CRB meeting on 7/28.

I also contracted COVID on 7/2 while boating on Lake Michigan and watching fireworks display in Muskegon. My symptoms weren't too terrible but it wasn't a picnic either. The hardest part was isolating at home and not going out. It is frightening how quickly one can get bored while trapped in your own home. Please note that COVID is not over. Please take the appropriate measures and remain vigilant. As a reminder, if you need some home test kits from the CDC, click [here](#).

### Video Conference Meetings:

Club Racing Board (CRB) (7/5): We discussed roll cage rules after the severe impact that a Spec Miata incurred at Road America. On one hand the cage did its job but on the other, the driver was seriously injured. The T1 Town Hall Zoom meeting was discussed. We reviewed the Runoffs Tech Inspection lists. More work was done on the face-to-face meeting to be held in July (7/28). I updated the CRB on the work the EVAC has been doing. The results of CRB rules changes can be seen [here](#).

Electrified Vehicle Advisory Committee (EVAC) (7/13): With the revised SCREV sent on its way to the various program boards and their BoB liaisons, we concentrated on preparing the Club Racing rules packages. We discussed some feedback we had gotten from the Production, Touring and BSpec committees.

Solo Events Board (SEB) (7/13): This meeting was to discuss the revised SCREV document with the SEB. They asked a lot of pertinent questions and I hope I answered them to their satisfaction.

### SCCA Events:

Fort Wayne Region Solo (7/23): Since I will be travelling to the Solo Nationals on Labor Day (9/6), I will not be able to participate in the WMR Solo at Grattan Raceway. As a result, I needed to attend another Solo to work on my skills. I checked the schedule and decided to go to FWR's event on 7/23. I drove down the afternoon before so I wouldn't have to get up at an ungodly hour on the day of the event. This would be first time I've competed in a divisional Solo and I was looking forward to it. When I got to the site, I realized that I wasn't prepared to keep my gear from getting wet in the impending rain. Many thanks to Kevin Keys for helping out an unprepared newbie by allowing me to store my gear in his trailer. The day started out with a HUGE thunderstorm rolling through the area. VERY heavy rain and lightning dancing all around us. After a 90 minute delay for the obvious safety reasons, we got started around 11a. I was to run in the first heat and work the second. There were three cars in my class (HS) and I ended up finishing in 2<sup>nd</sup> place. FWR puts on a very nice event and I hope all of you can make it to one of their events soon. Results for this event can be found [here](#).

SBR/DET Major (7/24): I signed up for this event so I could help out our friends at SBR and DET while enjoying some fun at GingerMan Raceway. As it turned out, there was more rain in order (it

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seemed to follow me during the weekend) but fun was had regardless of the weather. As usual the host regions ran a great event. During the “quiet time” period lunch was served which consisted of a fantastic “build your own” hot dog assembly line with chili, cheese, onions, relish.....all the fixings. As an added perk for me, I got to see my old race car on track in the hands of its new owner. Quite a sight!

CRB (7/28): I’ll report on this meeting in next month’s report.

BoD (7/30): I’ll report on this meeting in next month’s report.

Be sure and visit the [GLDiv website](#) for information about all of the SCCA programs within the division. We have schedules, official’s contact info, standings, etc. for all the SCCA programs.

The various national schedules for 2022 are starting to coalesce and they can be found here: [Pro Solo/National Tour](#), [Time Trials National Tour](#), [Hoosier Super Tour](#), [Enduro](#).

Please take a few minutes and make sure your contact information is accurate in the SCCA database. It’s important to have the correct information there so the club knows how to contact you. Log in to your [my.scca.com](#) page and check.

As I mentioned previously, there is a new path to getting your annual waiver. You can now get it through the Member Account Portal (MAP). Follow this [link](#) to get the instructions. There is also a story about the program [here](#). I’ve done it and it only takes a couple of minutes. Be prepared to upload a headshot picture of yourself.

Just a quick reminder, if any region out there wants to have an “Ask the Director” session during your monthly meetings, please do not hesitate to contact me so we can schedule a visit. I retired last summer so have plenty of free time and would enjoy the chance to visit with your members.

Thank you for your time and I look forward to hearing from you soon. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or comments you may have about any facet of the GLDiv. I want you to make the most of your membership and I will help out in any way possible to make that happen.

*Dayle Frame*



**Photos From the Milk Run Rally — See More on Page 12**



## Great Lakes Division Schedule for 2022

<b>Regional Races – Eligible for 2022 Divisional Championship</b>			
Sept 3 & 4	Mid-Ohio	OVR	Double Regional
<b>Regional Races – Eligible for 2023 Divisional Championship</b>			
Oct 15 & 16	Mid-Ohio	OVR*	Double Regional
<b>Majors Races – Not Included in Divisional Championship</b>			
Aug 20 & 21	Grattan	WMR	Majors

Divisional championship requires a minimum of five (5) starts at a minimum of two (2) different tracks. The points from the best seven (7) finishes count. The October 15/16 event does not qualify for the 2022 Divisional Championship. Majors races do not qualify for Divisional championship points or Divisional path to Runoffs.

All Double Regional races are included in the various paths to the Runoffs. *Races eligible for 2022 qualification are the October 2021 event thru the September 2022 event.* The October 2022 event counts for the 2023 Runoffs and the 2023 Divisional Championship.

Please consult the GCR for other paths to the Runoffs. Consult Fast Track and SCCA bulletins for updates and changes due to the COVID 19 Pandemic protocols.

FOR A COMPLETE REVIEW OF THE GLD CHAMPIONSHIP RULES GO TO [NEOHIOSCCA.COM](http://NEOHIOSCCA.COM).

\*The October (10/15-16/2022) event does not qualify for the 2022 Divisional championship Majors races do not qualify for *Divisional* championship points or *Divisional* path to runoffs.

Please note, schedule is subject to change.



Neohio Region would like to extend our thanks to Summit Racing Equipment for their longstanding support of Neohio Region and motorsports activities in our area! Please show your support by being a customer of our home-grown speed shop.

## I Hope You Had the Time of Your Life

I was waiting for the start of the Nelson Ledges race of early July. It was Saturday, July 9th. That was the one memorializing Bob Nick, the one Brenda Nick had so eloquently called “Big Dog’s Last Bark.” A writer like that ought to be in advertising, but how could I wish that on anyone? Anyway, the field followed the pace car, the green flag was thrown, and the race was on.

When I came in from it and awards were given, I was pleasantly surprised to get a second place in my class. Just before the race ended I blew a head gasket but I didn’t know it at the time, although bystanders said it sounded like it was running on three cylinders. It was hard to detect unlike the time I lost a head gasket in my Formula Ford at Road America and it looked like a speedboat exhaust. Neither I nor my pit crew Ed Merhar noticed it. Some of you may know Ed – he owned and raced the Chuck Stoddard Alfa Giulietta for 13 years and went to the Runoffs for 3 years. When we took off the hood we saw that the overflow tank was completely full and the radiator was very low. There was concern that there was no water in the cylinder head.

We thought this was due to the thermostat – if there was one (there wasn’t) – or the seal of the radiator cap. Right after the race, we went to the AutoZone in Newton Falls and got a cap and a selection of three different temperature thermostats. But later, in a conversation with racers back at the motel, we started to zero in on the head gasket. Luckily I had several of these. They were all at home in Novelty, Ohio! The idea that we would need them at the track never entered my mind. Once we settled in on that as the problem, I got in the tow car and headed home and then back to Nelson’s.

Before I left, Ed and I had already completed the job of removing the intake and exhaust manifolds and taking the cylinder head off the engine. Once I got back we replaced these – along with the tricky carburetor linkage – put the rocker arm assembly back on and torqued down all the head bolts in sequence.

It looked like we were in the home stretch to make the Sunday afternoon race. That’s when Ed said “You want to make that race?” I said “Sure.” He replied “Get your driving suit on and I’ll finish the car.” I put on my monkey suit and then topped up the fuel cell. We were ready to start the engine. It sounded rough but so what. Ed helped me get the helmet, Hans and arm restraints on. He didn’t want me buckling things up in the pits– they might change their minds!

I drove up to a group of pit marshals and said to a lady “We just finished putting in a head gasket – can I go out?” “Yes,” She replied enthusiastically “Get out there!” I was already in gear so I let out the clutch. I checked my mirrors for traffic at the pit-out and accelerated to the first worker station. All of this happened before the start of the second lap.

A feeling of great happiness overcame me. We had made the race. The car was much faster than before. More compression. More power. I drove like a maniac. And if you ever wondered what your car would sound like without adjusting the valve clearances, it’s like taking a stack of pots and pans and kicking them down the basement stairs. Especially noisy was the downshift going into the turn before the front straight.

There’s a nice song that the kids in Colorado sing at the bars. The main line is “I hope you have the time of your life.” That’s what I had. After we came in off the track, I wanted to go over to the pit marshals and thank them in person. I found the lady who had sent me out on the track and thanked her. She and a group of other workers – we all spoke of what a nice event it had been. I hope you had a good one too.

In fact, I hope you had the time of your life.

**Carl Goodwin**



## 2022 Great Lakes Division SOLO Schedule

September 17th & 18th      Cincinnati Region 2 Day, 2 events  
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Grissom Aeroplex Peru IN

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**Some Photos from the IX Center Autocross Event. More Photos on Page 13!**



**From Greg Lester, Neohio Region Rally Chair:**

Neohio hosted the Ohio Milk Run Rally on Saturday, July 30, 2022. Rallymaster Ron Johnstonbaugh persevered after the May flooding, presenting one of the most scenic and enjoyable rallies in many years! The 160 mile course looped south and west from Dover, through the hills of Tuscarawas, Coshocton and Muskingum counties.

It was heartening to see a strong contingent of our Detroit Region friends, as well as competitors come from as far away as Illinois, Massachusetts and Virginia. Sadly, there were fewer local teams than we would have hoped. Complete results, as well as a few photographs from the rally can be found elsewhere in this issue of the Blower.

Special thanks go to Jeff Arendas and Dave Killian for doing the official course precheck, and to Bill Stewart for volunteering to do a last-minute course drive-through (and alerting the rallymaster of a tree down across a road the night before the rally). Thanks also go to Andrew and Elise Layton for volunteering to drive in from Michigan to help with registration, course opening and scoring, and also to Rob Moran for his assistance. **Results Shown Below:**

Car #	Driver	Navigator	O/A	Class	Total
2	David Harkcom	Daniel Harkcom	1	E1	27.3
11	Justin Connors	Richard L. Beattie Jr.	2	E2	29.9
1	Maegan Burkart	W. Gregory Lester	3	G1	37.5
3	Robert Kay	Mike Bennett	4	E3	77.9
5	Bruce Blow	Megan Harlow	5	S1	79.9
6	Keegan Helwig	Emily Dompkowski	6	N1/S2	368.8
7	Bruce Swift	Gail Swift	7	N2/S3	403.9
10	Fen Woodruff	Robert Woodruff	8	S4	463.6
4	Mark Patterson	Gracie Slentz	9	S5	473.6
8	Robert Stewart	Austin Stewart	10	N3/S6	506.0
9	Jamie Burker	Ken Swamp	11	L1	587.1
12	Kevin Margo	Brandon Margo	12	N4/S7	780.0

**Johnny Appleseed Rally, October 1, 2022:**  
 Neohio will host the Johnny Appleseed Rally on Saturday, October 1, 2022. Starting in Bolivar, the ~160 mile course will wind through the hills of Ohio's Tuscarawas, Harrison, and surrounding counties. Look for more information and registration specifics here: [msreg.com/JAR22](https://msreg.com/JAR22)

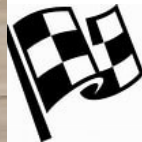


**Photos from the Milk Run Rally. One entrant drove a 1971 Alfa Romeo all the way from Massachusetts to take part in the Rally!**





Neohio Region's first event at the IX Center was a great success! A large number of competitors enjoyed great weather and a super venue. Our thanks to Brandon Anderson and his crew for making this possible! Another event took place there August 20th and a third is scheduled for September 18th.





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