

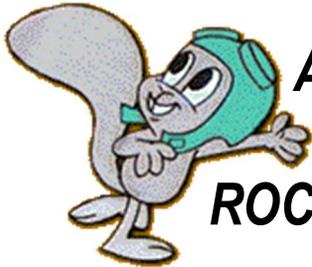
# The Write Line

~ May 2024 ~



Aaron Loggan, HCS Lotus Europa, (Rocky Entriken Photo)

The official newsletter of the Salina Region SCCA



## ASSORTED NUTS FROM ROCKET J. SQUIRREL

The thing about this sport, sometimes life intrudes. Andlee hasn't been able to get a REVs to me, and we have a couple of important events upcoming.

Next weekend is Salina Region's round in the Midwest Division Solo Series, a two-day event that invites drivers from everywhere in MiDiv to come visit. But I just looked at the entry list. We really need our Salina Region drivers to sign up and support it.

I've reprinted an article on Page 3 from a young lady in St. Louis Region, a relative newbie, who has made this startling discovery about "major" events – *It's just an autocross!* And you get better by competing against those who are better.

Our national champion, Theresa Walton, is co-chairing the event with Dennis Smith. She has recruited Brady Loretz of Arkansas Region to design our courses. Arkansas runs on a site similar to ours and Brady has a reputation for inventive and fun courses.

Are you good enough? Last weekend I went to Burns Flat, OK, to compete in Oklahoma Region's round of the MiDiv Solo Series. Parked next to me in grid was a 2023 Corvette running in Super Street. It was the driver's first-ever autocross! And he wasn't the only noob there. I introduced him to the concept of late apex. Yes, he was good enough. It was fun watching him drop his times as he got in his 12 runs. And I made a new friend; he sent me a friend request on Facebook after I got home.

A Divisional is a two-day event, but each day is actually a separate event. So if you can only get away for one day, you can

enter for only that one day. Each day also counts in Salina Region's regional championship, but with a bonus of 1 point for each driver you beat in the two-day standings.

Two weeks later we bring you an event that is not "just" an autocross – Mirror Khana. There are no clocks! More a drag race with corners, two cars line up, one northbound, one southbound, first one back to his own startline wins. It's a double-elimination format, with two practice runs in the morning. More information on Page 7.

I put on the first Mirror Khana here in 1974 and I've chaired 30 of them. Since then, other members have undertaken the event – Bill Dayton, Monte Rans, Dennis Smith. This year will be our 42nd. It's been called the most fun you can have in a car.

Beyond that, we finally have the Sunflower Showdown schedule set, a three-event competition between regions in the Sunflower State. It begins in July with Kansas Region in Independence, then Wichita Region in Yoder, and finally our event in August. In addition to the showdown scoring, all three events score in each region's championship as well. It also fills an annual hole in our schedule. Time for a road trip!

—Rocky Entriken, Editor

### HELP WANTED: WEBMASTER

Salina Region needs a new webmaster. Our current one, Jason Rash, has moved to Holton, north of Topeka, and is now a member of Kansas City Region.

You don't need to be a web designer, just keep the website current with calendar updates, event results, new issues of the newsletter, etc. The webmaster is also not the website host. Mark Walker does that.

Contact Andlee if you can do this important task.

### ► Next Events ◀

*Divisional Championship Solos - June 1-2*  
*Mirror Khana XLII - June 15 (Sat.)*  
*Berkley Family Recreation Area - 841 Markley Road, Salina*

Divisional: one day \$40, two days \$80 ~ non-members \$55/\$95

Mirror Khana: SCCA members \$30 ~ non-members \$45

Check-in/Tech opens 8:00 am, closes 9:00 am ~ course open to walk by 8:30 am

Novice coursewalk 9:15 ~ Drivers' Meeting 9:30 ~ Cars on course by 10:00

Pre-register on [MotorsportsReg.com](https://MotorsportsReg.com) ~ link at [salinascca.org](https://salinascca.org)

Next  
Business Meeting

June 20  
On Zoom!

*Business meetings are  
open to all members.*

*Email Andlee (see Pg. 2)  
to get the connection link*



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## Salina Region Schedule ~ 2024

All events at Berkley Family Recreational Area unless noted otherwise

Event	Chair
Jun 1-2 – Solo #5 & 6 – Divisional Championship	Theresa Walton/Dennis Smith
Jun 15 – Solo #7 (Saturday) – Mirror Khana XLII	Dennis Smith
Jul 7 – Solo #8 – Sunflower Showdown @ Independence, KS	Kansas Region
Jul 28 – Solo #9 – Sunflower Showdown @ Yoder	Wichita Region
Aug 11 – Solo #10 – Sunflower Showdown @ Salina	Chandler Brown
Sep 7-8 – Solo #11 & #12	Phelan Gagnon/Mason Libby
Oct 13 – Solo #13 – Octoberfast 35	Salina Region Board
Nov 3 – Solo #1	Aaron Loggan

A Salina Divisional (if held) and Solo Nationals (Sep. 2-6, 2024) also score in Salina Region's Championship, with bonus points. Lowest three scores are thrown out, four if we do a Divisional

### MiDiv



### SPS/R&S MiDiv Solo Series – 2024

Apr 13-14 – NeOkla @ Muskogee (Davis Field)  
~~May 4-5 – Kansas/Wichita @ Independence KS (Independence Airport)~~  
~~May 18-19 – Oklahoma @ Burns Flat (Clinton Sherman Airport)~~  
**June 1-2 – Salina @ Salina (Berkley Family Rec Area)**  
 June 29-30 – Kansas City @ Independence MO (Metro CC Driving Center)  
 Aug 3-4 – Nebraska @ Lincoln (Lincoln Airpark)

SCCA Solo Nationals ~ Sep. 2-6, 2024 ~ Lincoln, NE

## MEETING MINUTES

(Subject to correction and approval at the next Salina Region board meeting)

RE Andlee Phengphachanh called the meeting to order on May 16 via Zoom at 7:05 p.m. Present were board members Rocky Entriken, Phelan Gagnon, Mason Libby, Aaron Loggan, Artt Mann, Dennis Smith, and Nancy Smith; Sharon Brillhart joined late. Also present were Mark and Theresa Walton.

Artt moved to approve the March minutes, Mason seconded. Passed.

Andlee presented the Treasurer's report which had been provided by Sharon. Artt moved to approve, Nancy seconded. Passed.

**Old Business** – Equipment Trailer. Lengthy discussion about our deteriorating trailer, now more than 30 years old. Three members will be researching/inquiring about costs to rebuild or replace. We basically need a new box; we have talent in the region who knows how to modify it to meet our needs.

**New Business** – May event. The autocross had 41 entries and a good number of vehicles showed up for the car show. McPherson College automobile restoration students acted as judges. The whole event was a charity fundraiser for the Sunflower Rod & Custom Association of Great Bend and generated a sizeable donation from entry fees, an SCCA donation of half the event (sanction) fee, half the income from Artt Mann's barbecue and direct donations.

Heritage Classic: SCCA has removed the HCS/HCR rules from scca.com. Rocky reported the MiDiv Solo Committee has voted unanimously to formally include the two classes in the MiDiv Solo Series and to post the rules on midiv.org. Rocky moved, Aaron seconded, to formally include both classes in the Salina Region solo championship. Passed unanimously.

MiDiv Championship event June 1-2: Course will be designed by Brady Loretz of Arkansas Region. Theresa Walton and Dennis Smith are co-chairs. Other chairs to be: Safety, Susan Puls; Timing & Scoring, Aaron Loggan; Tech, Hank Brillhart; Waivers, Maron Libby; Equipment, Phelan Gagnon; Grid, Rocky Entriken; Registration, Nancy Smith; Impound, Mark Walton.

Sunflower Showdown schedule resolved. The events will be July 7 in Independence by Kansas Region, July 28 in Yoder by Wichita Region, Aug. 11 in Salina by Salina Region. All three are points events in each region's championship.

Webmaster: Julie Mindrup of the Salina Chamber of Commerce has expressed interest in minding our website. Andlee to visit with her further. In the past the webmaster has been a board member. It was asked if the webmaster must be an SCCA member, the answer is no (but yes if also a board member, which is not required).

**Open Forum** – Powercat Motorsports (K-State Formula SAE team) requested to borrow Salina Region's equipment for its second "Formula Wheat" competition. Andlee moved to allow, Dennis seconded, approved. Tripod for the timing display needs to be replaced.

Octoberfast (Oct. 13): Artt asked if barbecue was wanted, everyone said YES!

Next meeting June 20. Adjournment 8:56 p.m. Submitted, Rocky Entriken, Sec'y pro tem.

# Our Divisional Championship – It's just a normal autocross

By Emily Skoglund  
St. Louis Region SCCA

(Emily Skoglund wrote this piece in advance of the CAM/XS Challenge event held earlier this month in St. Charles, MO. It applies equally to why you should sign up for Salina Region's round of the SPS/R&S MiDiv Solo Series event June 1-2.)

Last year I was one of the three Wendi Allen SCCA Scholarship recipients, which allowed me the opportunity to attend eight national level events, something I couldn't have dreamed of doing on my own.

I tried ProSolo for the first time, traveled to Lincoln, Peru, Bristol and Chicago, attended an Evo School, and took advantage of the SCCA Women on Track Mentorship Program at every event.

From all of the tips and tricks and great advice I learned from my mentors and other drivers, my biggest takeaway was that a **National level event [or a Divisional, ed.] is ... literally just a normal autocross event.**

Coming from someone who struggles a lot with anxiety and often has to have Andriy (Sytyashenko, a fellow St. Louis Region member) talk me into signing up for local events because I still get nervous, I get how signing up for your first (upper-level) event can be scary, and it was for me the first time too.

Last year I struggled a lot with thoughts like "am I a good enough driver to be here?" and "am I truly deserving of this scholarship?" Having that change in my mindset is really what **helped** me stop stressing and start driving to have fun, which got me a trophy in Chicago and at Solo Nats. 😊

**Which gets me to my point – if you're a St. Louis Region member and are free May 3-5, please sign up**



ESL podium at the 2023 Solo Nationals, L-R: 2nd, Karen Babb; 1st, Theresa Walton; 3rd, Dawn Danton; 4th, Emily Skoglund.

**for the St. Louis CAM Challenge. [If you're free June 1-2, sign up for our Divisional. Registration is open now on [Motorsportsreg.com](https://motorsportsreg.com), ed.]**

From all of the events I attended last year, this was definitely one of my favorites. You don't have to travel, you get more runs than a normal event ... and there are fun social opportunities to meet new people or hang out with your local friends.

It's a really great opportunity for our region to host a national event, and like I said a million times above, don't let the idea of a national level event freak you out. It's just autocross. 😊

## 10 reasons to run Salina Region's Divisional Championship autocross.

1. It's an autocross! You get to chase some cones. It's fun. We do this for fun, right?
2. Each day is a separate event. If you're only free one day, then just enter one day.
3. Each day counts for Salina Region points. Oh, and you get MiDiv points too.
4. You might find competition from drivers you've never seen before.
5. It's fun.
6. On a per-day basis, the cost is not much different from two regular autocrosses.
7. You might learn some new tricks.
8. You might make some new friends.
9. Of course you're good enough. You might surprise yourself! And you're supporting Salina Region.
10. Did we mention how much fun you'll have?

**Registration is open now on [motorsportsreg.com](https://motorsportsreg.com). Look for "MiDiv Solo Salina June 1st-2nd."**

**JUNE 1-2  
BE THERE!**

**Hotel Group Rate  
Holiday Inn Express  
755 W. Diamond Dr.**



# SIRCA Special

Salina Region SCCA ~ May 13, 2023 ~ Berkley Family Recreation Area, Salina, KS

Class	Driver	Car	Make	Run 1	Run 2	Run 3	Run 4	Run 5	Best	
AS	• Gagnon, Phelan	1	2013 Corvette	60.889	58.266+2	D.N.F.	D.N.F.	<b>59.548</b>	<b>59.548</b>	
AS	Hill, Roger	113	2008 Saturn Sky Redline	81.825+1	D.N.F.	<b>60.025</b>	D.N.F.	56.926+3	<b>60.025</b>	
BS	• Libby, Mason	62	2008 Saturn Sky Redline	59.583	56.990	56.501	<b>56.326</b>	55.783+1	<b>56.326</b>	
BS	Worcester, TJ	5	2008 Corvette	60.062	58.201+3	<b>58.397</b>	58.631	65.707+1	<b>58.397</b>	
BS	Leazer, Geoff	6	2007 Saturn Sky	67.098	D.N.F.	62.455	<b>61.655</b>	61.803	<b>61.655</b>	
CS	• Nicholson, Rick	26	2021 Mazda MX5	68.832	65.850+1	62.418+3	64.358+1	<b>62.103</b>	<b>62.103</b>	
CS	• Loggan, Aaron	177	1972 Lotus Europa	<b>64.860</b>	D.N.F.	D.N.S.	D.N.S.	D.N.S.	<b>64.860</b>	
CS	Yocom, Brock	1	1992 Volvo 940	D.N.F.	69.432+3	<b>69.418</b>	71.354	69.123+1	<b>69.418</b>	
CS	Pepperd, Loren	93	2003 Honda S2000	<b>72.343</b>	D.N.F.	D.N.F.	78.620	D.N.F.	<b>72.343</b>	
DS	• Nicholson, Tim	189	2019 Subaru WRX STi	59.126	57.445	57.455	<b>56.581</b>	58.296+1	<b>56.581</b>	
DSL	• Presnell, Darla	33	BMW 330i	D.N.F.	70.148	69.119	<b>67.532</b>	68.406	<b>67.532</b>	
ES	• Walton, Mark	99	1999 Mazda Miata	D.N.F.	D.N.F.	57.573	<b>56.843</b>	57.066	<b>56.843</b>	
ES	• Walton, Theresa	199	1999 Mazda Miata	59.625+1	59.123	58.220	57.274+1	<b>56.923</b>	<b>56.923</b>	FL
ES	Entriiken, Rocky	4	2000 Mazda Miata	D.N.F.	62.231	59.689+2	60.362	<b>59.378</b>	<b>59.378</b>	
ES	Brillhart, Henry	48	1999 Mazda Miata	D.N.F.	D.N.F.	<b>62.427</b>	D.N.F.	60.883+1	<b>62.427</b>	
ESL	• Brillhart, Sharon	28	2003 Toyota MR2	58.822	58.463	57.935+2	<b>57.704</b>	58.201	<b>57.704</b>	
FS	• Perney, R Abner	5	2005 Nissan 350 Z Roadster	65.697+1	<b>64.108</b>	64.094+1	64.985	64.170	<b>64.108</b>	
FS	Schmidt, John	16	2017 Camaro	75.071	71.212	70.948	68.020	<b>66.918</b>	<b>66.918</b>	
FS	Harlan, Arianna	124	2011 BMW 335ix	79.752+1	69.999+2	D.N.F.	72.397	<b>72.058</b>	<b>72.058</b>	
FSL	• Kelly, Kim	20	2007 Dodge Charger	106.009	93.311+1	<b>89.534</b>	D.N.F.	98.852	<b>89.534</b>	
HS	• Smith, Dennis E.	77	2013 Mini Cooper	D.N.F.	61.976	59.081	60.099	<b>58.419</b>	<b>58.419</b>	
HS	Gill, Doug	96	2006 Honda Civic Si	60.732+2	60.317+2	60.179+1	59.206+1	<b>59.409</b>	<b>59.409</b>	
HS	Herrick, Don	8	2015 Ford Fiesta ST	63.488	<b>61.265</b>	D.N.F.	61.613	D.N.F.	<b>61.265</b>	
HSL	• Smith, Nancy	77	2013 Mini Cooper	66.623	63.599	62.812	<b>62.205</b>	62.832	<b>62.205</b>	
HCS	• Drouin, Nathan	17	1972 Porsche 914 1.7	71.671	68.758	81.076+1	<b>67.931</b>	65.385+2	<b>67.931</b>	
STU	• Hill, Mark	45	2006 Mitsubishi Evo IX	53.660+2	52.706+1	D.N.F.	<b>52.306</b>	53.953+2	<b>52.306</b>	PAX
STU	Phengphachanh, Andlee	23	1988 Toyota Celica AllTrac	D.N.F.	57.593	57.554+1	56.181	<b>55.304</b>	<b>55.304</b>	
STX	• Bell, Addison	43	2005 Mazda RX-8	59.258	59.492	58.418	<b>57.889</b>	58.011	<b>57.889</b>	
STX	• Brown, Chandler	19	1998 BMW M Roadster	59.594+1	D.N.F.	57.982+1	<b>58.047</b>	D.N.F.	<b>58.047</b>	
STX	Valenzuela, Drake	167	2013 Scion FRS	67.302	60.664+2	<b>59.088+1</b>	58.778+2	58.114+2	<b>61.088</b>	
STX	Bejar, Joanna	67	2013 Scion FR-S	66.292+3	62.916+3	<b>61.831+1</b>	61.967+4	62.047+2	<b>63.831</b>	
STS	• Presnell, Tracy	28	1999 BMW Z3 Roadster	63.076+2	62.662+1	62.844+1	<b>62.185</b>	62.759+1	<b>62.185</b>	
CAMS	• McNett, Logan	2	2002 Corvette Z06	62.720	63.620+2	61.582+5	<b>61.781</b>	D.N.F.	<b>61.781</b>	
CAMC	• Schrag, Steve	44	2018 Mustang	60.931	62.231	D.N.F.	<b>54.295+1</b>	54.618+2	<b>56.295</b>	
CAMT	• Bacon, Nicholas	29	2000 Mustang GT	61.648+1	61.827+1	<b>62.152</b>	62.256	D.N.S.	<b>62.152</b>	
CAMT	Bell, Mitchell	69	1969 Camaro	62.438+1	61.199+1	63.574	63.016	<b>62.159</b>	<b>62.159</b>	
XA	• Krauss, Samuel	67	1998 Eagle Talon TSi AWD	52.687	50.968+1	<b>51.890</b>	D.N.S.	D.N.S.	<b>51.890</b>	FTD
XA	Gerber, Zachary	16	2000 BMW M Roadster	<b>66.926</b>	D.N.S.	D.N.S.	D.N.S.	D.N.S.	<b>66.926</b>	
XB	• Phillips, Eric	21	2013 Volkswagen Golf R	62.081	61.293	60.452	60.442	<b>59.247</b>	<b>59.247</b>	
XB	Harlan, Jason	7	2001 BMW 525i	80.137+1	D.N.F.	D.N.F.	D.N.F.	<b>72.206</b>	<b>72.206</b>	
XB	Maneth, John	65	1990 Mazda Miata	D.N.F.	D.N.F.	D.N.S.	D.N.S.	D.N.S.	<b>D.N.F.</b>	

• Trophy FTD - Fast Time Of Day FL - Fast Lady PAX - Top PAX



# Events

## Elsewhere - 2024



A calendar of AutoX and RallyX events by the Wichita, Kansas, Kansas City, Nebraska, NeOkla and Oklahoma Regions of SCCA. Go see how others do it!

‡ = Test & Tune / § = Street Survival School

P = Starting Line School / ● = Region or novice school

**ALWAYS CONFIRM THE EVENT BEFORE MAKING A LONG TRIP!**

(\* = Salina Region autocross on this date)

### AUTOCROSS

- Jun 8 ..... Kansas @ Stormont Vail Events Center, Topeka KS
- ..... P. Kansas City @ MetroCC Driving Center, Independence MO
- Jun 9 ..... Kansas @ Stormont Vail Events Center, Topeka KS
- ..... Kansas City @ MetroCC Driving Center, Independence MO
- Jun 8-9.....Solo National Tour @ Burns Flat, OK**
- Jun 22 ..... Wichita @ Road Yoder, Yoder KS
- Jun 23 ..... Wichita @ Road Yoder, Yoder KS
- Jun 29..... ‡ Nebraska @ Lincoln Airpark, Lincoln NE
- Jun 30 ..... Kansas City @ MetroCC Driving Center, Independence MO
- ..... Nebraska @ Lincoln Airpark, Lincoln NE
- ..... Oklahoma @ Remington Park, Oklahoma City OK
- Jul 6 ..... Kansas @ Stormont Vail Events Center, Topeka KS
- Jul 7..... \* Kansas @ Stormont Vail Events Center, Topeka KS
- Jul 13..... ‡ Nebraska @ Lincoln Airpark, Lincoln NE
- Jul 14 ..... Nebraska @ Lincoln Airpark, Lincoln NE
- Jul 20..... ‡ NeOkla @ Davis Field, Muskogee OK
- Jul 21 ..... NeOkla @ Davis Field, Muskogee OK
- Jul 27 ..... Wichita @ Road Yoder, Yoder KS
- Jul 28 ..... Kansas City @ MetroCC Driving Center, Independence MO
- ..... Wichita @ Road Yoder, Yoder KS
- Aug 2..... ● Nebraska @ Lincoln Airpark, Lincoln NE
- Aug 11..... \* Oklahoma @ Remington Park, Oklahoma City OK
- Aug 17..... ‡ Nebraska @ Lincoln Airpark, Lincoln NE
- ..... ‡ NeOkla @ Davis Field, Muskogee OK
- Aug 18..... § Kansas City @ MetroCC Driving Center, Independence MO
- ..... Kansas City @ MetroCC Driving Center, Independence MO
- ..... Nebraska @ Lincoln Airpark, Lincoln NE
- ..... NeOkla @ Davis Field, Muskogee OK
- Aug 24..... Wichita @ Road Yoder, Yoder KS
- Aug 25..... Wichita @ Road Yoder, Yoder KS
- Aug 30-Sep 1. ProSolo Finale @ Lincoln Airpark, Lincoln NE**
- Sep 2-6 .....Solo Nationals @ Lincoln Airpark, Lincoln NE**
- Sep 8..... \* Kansas City @ MetroCC Driving Center, Independence MO
- Sep 22..... Kansas City @ MetroCC Driving Center, Independence MO
- ..... Oklahoma @ Remington Park, Oklahoma City OK
- Sep 28..... NeOkla @ Davis Field, Muskogee OK
- ..... § Wichita @ Road Yoder, Yoder KS
- Sep 29..... NeOkla @ Davis Field, Muskogee OK
- ..... Wichita @ Road Yoder, Yoder KS
- Oct 5..... ‡§ Nebraska @ Lincoln Airpark, Lincoln NE
- Oct 6 ..... Nebraska @ Lincoln Airpark, Lincoln NE
- Oct 12 ..... NeOkla @ Davis Field, Muskogee OK
- Oct 13..... \* Kansas City @ MetroCC Driving Center, Independence MO
- ..... \* NeOkla @ Davis Field, Muskogee OK
- Oct 19..... Oklahoma @ Remington Park, Oklahoma City OK
- Oct 20..... Oklahoma @ Remington Park, Oklahoma City OK
- Oct 26 ..... Wichita @ Road Yoder, Yoder KS
- Oct 27 ..... Wichita @ Road Yoder, Yoder KS

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

• **Geoff Leazer**, Salina, has already run all four of our early events in an AS/BS Saturn Sky. He just bought an NB Miata, maybe for ES, maybe STS.

### RALLYCROSS

- Jun 2..... \*NeOkla @ Billy Bob's Farm, Billings OK
- Jun 9..... Nebraska @ Nebraska Rally Bowl, Nebraska City NE
- Jun 15-16... National Tour @ Billy Bob's Farm, Billings OK**
- Jun 22-23.... Kansas City @ Ray Rocks Offroad Resort, Rayville MO
- Jun 30..... Kansas @ McCain's Offroad Park, Carbondale KS
- Jul 7..... \*NeOkla @ Billy Bob's Farm, Billings OK
- Jul 14..... Kansas City @ I-35 Speedway, Winston, MO
- Jul 21..... Nebraska @ Green Valley Ranch, Kearney NE
- ..... Wichita @ Sandy Bottoms, Mulvane KS
- Aug 4..... NeOkla @ Billy Bob's Farm, Billings OK
- Aug 11..... Wichita @ Sandy Bottoms, Mulvane KS
- Aug 25..... Kansas City @ Thunder Valley Sand Drags, Grain Valley MO
- Aug 31..... Kansas @ McCain's Offroad Park, Carbondale KS
- ..... NeOkla @ Billy Bob's Farm, Billings OK
- Sep 8..... Wichita @ Sandy Bottoms, Mulvane KS
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- ..... \* Wichita @ Sandy Bottoms, Mulvane KS
- Oct 18-20.... RallyCross Nationals @ Hollytree Off Road Park, Hollytree AL**

Go

## Racing!



Five MiDiv road course tracks are within a 5-hour drive of Salina. Be part of the action as a race worker -- flagging on corners, timing, grid, tech, etc. Or be a driver?

- Hallett Motor Racing Circuit, Hallett OK
- Hedge Hollow Raceway, Adrian, MO
- Motorsports Park Hastings, Hastings NE
- Ozarks International Raceway, Gravois Mills MO
- I-29 Speedway, Pacific Junction. IA

### ROAD RACING

- Jun 1-2..... Majors races @ Ozarks Int'l Raceway, Gravois Mills, MO
- Jul 13-14.... Majors races @ Hallett Motor Racing Circuit, Hallett OK
- Aug 10-11... Enduro races @ Motorsports Park Hastings, Hastings NE
- Sep 27-Oct 6 . The Runoffs @ Road America, Elkhart Lake WI**
- Nov 2-3..... Enduro races @ Hallett Motor Racing Circuit, Hallett OK

### MIDIV TIME TRIALS SERIES

- Jun 1-2..... @ Ozarks Int'l Raceway, Gravois Mills, MO
- Jul 6-7..... @ High Plains Raceway, Deer Trail, CO
- Aug 10-11... @ Motorsports Park Hastings, Hastings NE
- Sep 21-22... @ I-29 Speedway, Pacific Junction IA
- Oct 24-27.... Time Trials Nationals @ NCM Mspts Park, Bowling Green KY**
- Nov 2-3..... @ Hallett Motor Racing Circuit, Hallett OK

### TRACK NIGHT IN AMERICA

- Jun 26..... @ High Plains Raceway, Deer Trail CO
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# MIRROR KHANA ~ Just you vs. the other guy

If you've never done a Mirror Khana, mark off **June 15** on your calendar. It's a hoot.

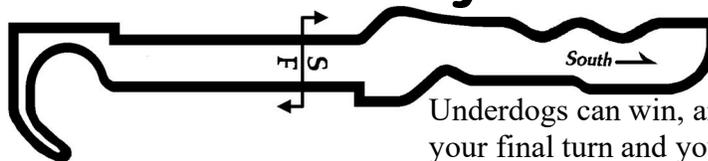
Mirror Khana XLII. There are no clocks. Just you and that other guy, head to head (but not wheel to wheel), first one back to his startline wins.

If you've noticed those yellow boxes painted on the BFRA pavement, that's the Mirror Khana course. Check the map above. You start on one side, your opponent on the other. The start is like the midnight drags, a starter standing between you waves you off. Drive the full course back to where you started. Two judges, one on each side, decide the winner. If they don't agree, instant rerun but from opposite sides.

Oh, those pylon things? You can hit three for free, no penalty (but key corners are double-coned, some are triple coned). Hit four and it's a DNF, but if the other guy hits five or goes off-course, it's a worse DNF. Least worst wins, so never quit a run!

In the morning you get two practice runs, one from each side. Then each group runs a double-elimination bracket so everyone has at minimum four runs on the course. Win a pairing, you get more.

Cars are gathered into groups of multiple classes for competition and trophies. We won't know the groups until the entries are in but, as an example, SS, AS and BS might run together, maybe FS with them. It just depends. For points, though, it's still scored by class. If there are two AS cars entered and one finishes 3rd, the other 5th in an 8-car group, they get points for 1st and 2nd in AS but the AS "winner" gets a 3rd place trophy.



The thing about Mirror Khana, weird stuff happens.

Underdogs can win, and often do. You're coming to your final turn and you can see the other guy near his, watch out because those last two turns are double coned. Drivers have been known to take out all four!

In the early days of solo, this sport had several common names, among them "gymkhana," which originally was a term for equine events (stab a pumpkin with a sword while riding at full speed, etc.). That's where "khana" came from. My first Mirror Khana was an event in Kansas City in 1968, fun but with a problem: it was single elimination, which meant half the entry got just one run. Maybe that's why they only did it one time. When I put on my first one here in 1974 I wanted better than that, which is what led to the practice runs and the double-elimination format.

The south end of the course is essentially the same as my original 1974 design. The slalom is moved over a bit to get it away from the dog park, and the gates, originally 10-12 feet wide, now meet the 15-foot rule.

The north end is much changed. The original course went out onto the taxiway before it became Markley Road, and before Flor de Sol was built, but the turnaround was the same buttonhook turn you get now, and the 90° box turn is the same but moved further south. There's a special rule for the Skid Circle: If you see your opponent there you have to stop and wait for him. It can only happen in the second half of the run, if the driver starting northbound had a problem while the southbound driver is already past halfway approaching the circle (all he has to do is finish the course). —RE

## SUNFLOWER SOLO SHOWDOWN ~ A 3-round friendly between three regions; all are points events

Coming up in July and August is the Sunflower Solo Showdown, which has become an annual friendly between the Salina, Wichita and Kansas Regions.

**Kansas starts it off July 7** in Independence, KS. It's a new site for them, a long way off, but the only site Kansas has available to it at that time of the year.

**Wichita is up next July 28** in Yoder (a weekend we can't use because of the annual Leadsled Spectacular).

**Salina has the third round Aug. 11** at our Berkley Family Recreation Area site.

Each is just a regular ole Sunday autocross, and *each counts in all three regions' championships*. The Kansas Region and Wichita Region events are also the second day of a doubleheader weekend, so if you're inclined to get some extra seat time you can double up.

In the past couple of years, the friendly competition has become two tallies. The primary one is a PAX average – all of each regions' PAX scores are added and divided by its number of drivers competing that day. Last year Salina won the PAX average, with Kansas 2nd and Wichita 3rd.

There's also a tally to see how many participate. Wichita topped that last year with Salina a distant 2nd and Kansas 3rd.

Overall, since the first one in 2013, Salina has won the matchup four times, Wichita three times and Kansas three times. It wasn't held in 2016.

There used to be a region trophy, a Solo beer cup screwed to a wooden base. It disappeared a few years ago, whereabouts currently a mystery.

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