



# The Broken Spoke

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Hello everyone and happy summer!



We're warmed up, we're ready, and we're hitting those tracks! There are a LOT of options to choose from over the summer when it comes to racing. Keep reading to learn more!

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## DEBRIEFING! Let's Break Down the Results of Some Recent Events

Events are happening all the time and every place, of course, but we focus on debriefing those hosted, cohosted, or supported by the Calgary Sports Car Club.

### PACIFIC FOREST RALLY and ROCKY MOUNTAIN RALLY

By all accounts, the rallies were a great success, with good weather and road conditions. There were a good number of spectators (see some of them in the photo, below) and few incidents. Rather than us reiterating everything, there is lots of great and complete info to be found on-line at [https://youtu.be/dPhFFVyY5ek?si=yPVt0CWjbjl\\_wvI2](https://youtu.be/dPhFFVyY5ek?si=yPVt0CWjbjl_wvI2) (Pacific Forest Rally) and <https://youtu.be/rguzk5xlXJY> (Rocky Mountain Rally).

**Many thanks to all volunteers**, whether organizing, working radios, directing traffic, keeping folks safe, or the plethora of other roles needed!

Please note that the next rally test day is **Sunday, July 14**. More details will be available soon. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to fire them our way: [info@csc.ca](mailto:info@csc.ca).



Meantime, enjoy this stellar photograph, taken by Shawn Bishop at the Rocky Mountain Rally. This photo was recently featured in *Canon Canada's* weekly challenge of 'Planes, Trains, and Automobiles.' Congratulations, Shawn!

### AUTOX AT YYC

Our club doesn't host any autoX events ourselves, at the moment, because rather than doubling up on the number of events in the area which are already excellently run, we have

chosen to simply point our members in the direction of those events. To that end, we were very glad to see that the YYC lot near the airport has been re-opened to autoX. The first event of six at the old park-and-jet lot, all run by the Southern Alberta Solosport Club, was held on June 9. It was reported that the lot was a bit dusty (despite lots of effort spent cleaning it) and therefore a little slippery until worn off by tires over the morning. There was something like 70 entrants and a number of spectators, so congratulations SASC on a great event!

## ICE DICE 2024 AWARDS

It's a few months since the end of our 2024 Ice Dice season, but that's not going to stop us from celebrating the souls that braved lake ice in all sorts of weird weather conditions to get out and do winter autoX. We have winners in eight categories: all wheel drive, all wheel drive studded, front-wheel drive studded, rear wheel drive, rear-wheel drive studded, first place overall, second place overall, and third place overall. Please join us at our July board meeting, where we'll include an awards ceremony (all winners will be informed and invited well ahead of time). That will be on Thursday, July 4, 7:30pm, at 4215 – 80 Avenue NE. All award winners are welcome to have beer on us! For everyone else, the beers/pops are cheap and cold, and we always have chips. Please come and hang out with us in our club's excellent clubhouse!



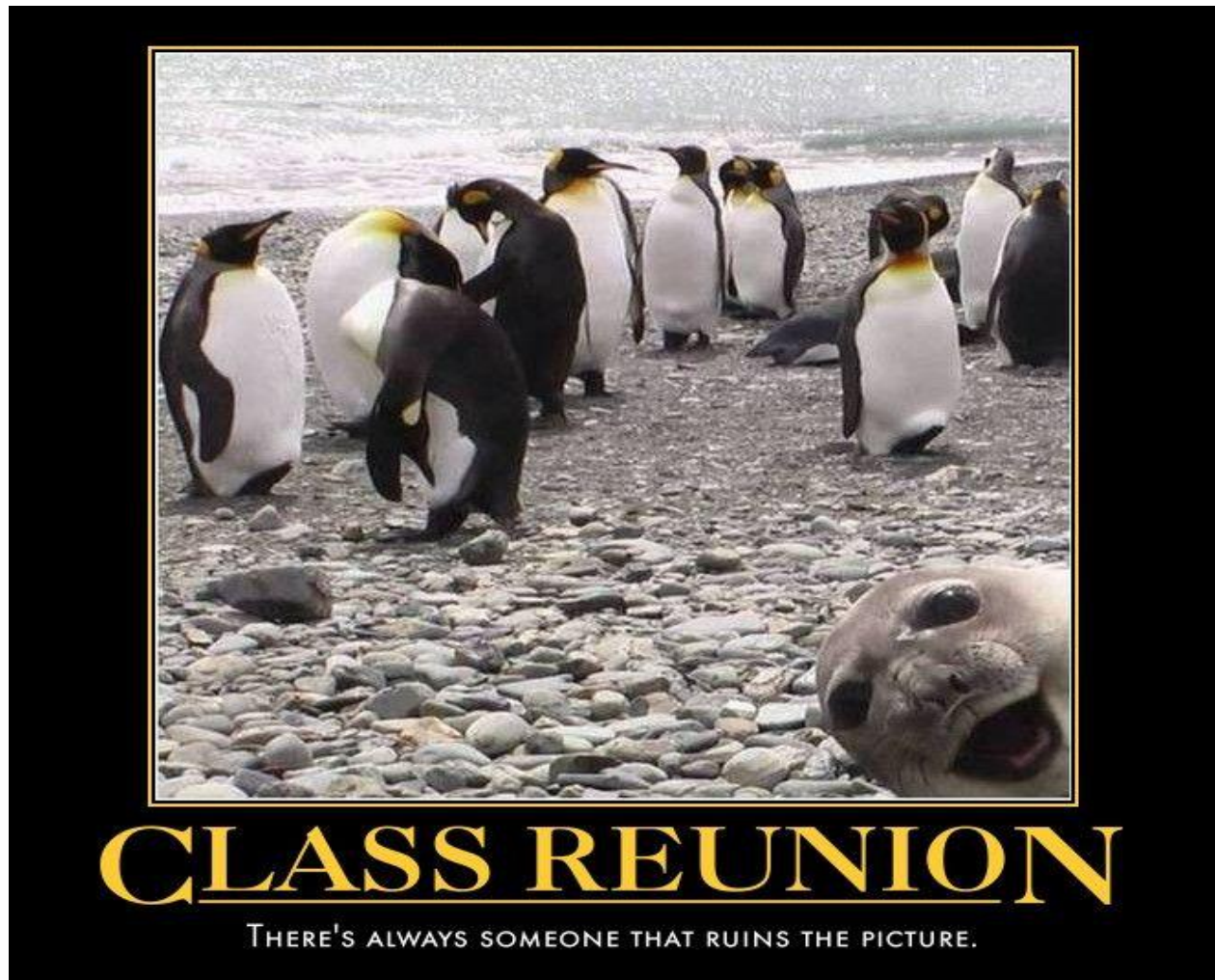
*(photo credit: Jonny Wong)*

## CLUB REUNION AND 70-YEAR CELEBRATION

When we held a reunion at the clubhouse last year, it was incredible to see about 60 people show up to catch up and reminisce. As that was so much fun and 2024 is the club's 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary, we're going to do it all again. **PLEASE SPREAD THE WORD!** And join us at our September board meeting (Thursday, September 5) at 7:30pm for a very brief board meeting followed by all the visiting and eating of cake (or consuming of beer) that anyone could wish for. Keep an eye



on Broken Spoke newsletters and our Facebook page between now and then for updated information.



### **WHAT'S ON YOUR WISH LIST? QUESTIONS FOR YOU!**

We continue our quest to draw members back to the clubhouse for fun, get-togethers, and education. But we need your input! So, please let us know what YOU'd like to see happening at the clubhouse? It's a great space. We already do monthly meetings and the occasional in-house event. Would you like to see more movies? Ladies' events? Televised international race viewings? Educational stuff? Wine tastings? (I don't know ... maybe wine is what gets people coming out to stuff ...) Please let us know!

### **WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND?**

The Broken Spoke is just me yakking away. Blah blah blah. I'm sure you'd be interested in hearing from others. Such as your own good self! Send some of your own wordcrafts! Write an article. Debrief an event. Send photos. Have you taken an interesting road trip? Purchased a new car? Would you like to review a car? How about getting a debate going: manual vs. automatic? electric vs. not? any other incendiary topic? Bring it! Your submissions are welcome and they don't have to be grammar- or word-perfect. I'll fix everything right up.

## CSCC MONTHLY BOARD MEETING AND INFO

Please note that our July board meeting will be held on Thursday, July 4 at 7:30pm. We'll include an awards ceremony for our 2024 Ice Dice season. The beers and pop are cold and we always have chips. See you at the clubhouse (4215 – 80 Ave NE) - all are welcome, including the kiddo's!

## CALGARY AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION (CARA) NEWS

You may be aware that CARA has provided ham (remote) radio support at our rallies for some decades. They have an office/station in the basement level of the clubhouse and you may have noticed their radio towers in the yard. They are an enthusiastic and friendly bunch, passionate about education and practice. You'll see them at the rallies doing tests and exercises while they keep everyone safe and informed via radio. They oversee clubhouse maintenance issues, as well; which most recently have included some much-needed repairs to electrical outlets, the re-installation of a land-line phone, clean-up of extra equipment from the yard, and the building of a telephone station in the entrance-way (which holds and hides their generator). They keep an eye on water levels in the basement (a problem in the past) and provide security for the building. These folks are friends and allies, so say hello when you see them, either in the clubhouse, out working on their towers, or out in the forest at a rally. On top of everything, CARA has received a donation of some lovely cedar boards, which they've proposed we can group together with them to build a deck onto the south end of the clubhouse. Outdoor meetings and get-togethers appeal to anyone else? That brings me to:

### HELP NEEDED!

Please let us know if you would be interested and available to help build a deck on the south end of the clubhouse. We can't do it with just a couple of people. Eight or ten reasonably able folks would be needed to haul, lift, and construct in a single-day event. We have free wood waiting for us on a trailer, which we need hauled to the clubhouse yard to be stored until construction. We're hoping to complete this before the snow flies. Please drop me a line ([jamie.gray@csc.ca](mailto:jamie.gray@csc.ca)) to let me know if you're in, and I'll start a contact list so I can keep everyone informed. Cheers!

## UPCOMING EVENTS THAT MAY INTEREST YOU

If you are a racer, you know that we are now in the very thick of race season. There's a LOT to choose from over the summer. The following is just a selection of what's happening from now until the end of August. Attached to the e-mail via which this newsletter has been sent, is a document for your info, that lists everything running from Fort Saskatchewan south up to the end of the year. Because there are some stellar autoX events happening with other clubs, the CSCC is not planning to host any, but rather we point you in the direction of all the good stuff already going on, and we'll see you there! If you have any questions, fire 'em our way: [info@csc.ca](mailto:info@csc.ca).

Friday, <a href="#">June 21</a>	Rocky Mountain Motorsports, Public Track Day	
Saturday, June 22	Edmonton International Raceway, NASCAR Racing	
Saturday, June 22	Rocky Mountain Motorsports, Beginner Track Experience	
Saturday, June 22	Southern Alberta Solosport Club, Airdrie Air Park, Event #4	

Sunday, June 23	Red Deer Sports Car Club, Event #6	
Monday, June 24	Stratotec, Open Lapping	
Tuesday, June 25	Track Techniques, Rocky Mountain Motorsports	
Thursday, June 27	Stratotec, StratoAttack #1	
Thursday, June 27	Calgary Exotic Auto Guild, Track Day	
Saturday, June 29	Edmonton International Raceway, NASCAR Racing	
Saturday, June 29	Calgary Exotic Auto Guild, Track Day	
Saturday, June 29	Lethbridge Sports Car Club, Autocross #3	
Sunday, June 30	Lethbridge Sports Car Club, Autocross #4	
Sunday, June 30	Rocky Mountain Motorsports, Public Track Day	
Monday, <a href="#">July 1</a>	Edmonton International Raceway, Canada Day Celebration	
Thursday, July 4	Rocky Mountain Motorsports, Beginner Track Experience	
<b>Thursday, July 4</b>	<b>Calgary Sports Car Club, Monthly Meeting, 6:30/7:30pm (Awards for 2024 Ice Dice Presented)</b>	
Friday, July 5	Track Junkies	
Saturday, July 6	Northern Alberta Sports Car Club, Enduro	
Saturday, July 6	Edmonton International Raceway, NASCAR Racing	
Saturday, July 6	Southern Alberta Solosport Club, YYC Parking Lot, Practice	
Sunday, July 7	Northern Alberta Sports Car Club, Enduro	
Sunday, July 7	Red Deer Sports Car Club, Event #7	
Monday, July 8	Stratotec, Open Lapping	
Thursday, July 11	Stratotec, StratoCross #3	
Friday, July 12	Rocky Mountain Motorsports, Public Track Day	
Saturday, July 13	Edmonton International Raceway, NASCAR Racing	
Saturday, July 13	Reynolds Museum / Hagerty Ultimate Car Show	
Saturday, July 13	Calgary Exotic Auto Guild, Track Day	
<b>Sunday, July 14</b>	<b>Calgary Sports Car Club, Rally Test Day</b>	
July 13-14	Northern Alberta Sports Car Club, Sprints	
Friday, July 19	Rocky Mountain Motorsports, High Performance Driving School	
Saturday, July 20	Edmonton International Raceway, NASCAR Racing	
Saturday, July 20	Rocky Mountain Motorsports, New Drivers Skills Clinic	
Saturday, July 20	Southern Alberta Solosport Club, Fort Macleod, Event #5	
Sunday, July 21	Lethbridge Sports Car Club, Autocross #5	
Sunday, July 21	Edmonton Rally Club, Rallycross Championship #8	

Monday, July 22	Stratotec, Open Lapping	
Tuesday, July 23	Track Techniques, Rocky Mountain Motorsports	
Wednesday, July 24	Rocky Mountain Motorsports, Beginner Track Experience	
Thursday, July 25	Stratotec, StratoCross #4	
Friday, July 26	Track Junkies	
July 26-27	Edmonton International Raceway, NASCAR Canada NAPA 300	
Saturday, July 27	Northern Alberta Sports Car Club, Sprints	
Saturday, July 27	Calgary Exotic Auto Guild, Track Day	
Sunday, July 28	Northern Alberta Sports Car Club, Sprints	
Sunday, July 28	Southern Alberta Solosport Club, YYC Parking Lot, Event #6	
Sunday, July 28	Red Deer Sports Car Club, Event #8	
<b>Thursday, <u>August 1</u></b>	<b>Calgary Sports Car Club, Monthly Meeting, 6:30/7:30pm</b>	
Sunday, August 4	Calgary Exotic Auto Guild, Track Day	
Monday, August 5	Track Junkies	
Thursday, August 8	Rocky Mountain Motorsports, Beginner Track Experience	
Thursday, August 8	Stratotec, StratoAttack #2	
Friday, August 9	Calgary Exotic Auto Guild, Track Day	
Saturday, August 10	Lethbridge Sports Car Club, Autocross #6	
Saturday, August 10	Red Deer Sports Car Club, Event #9	
Saturday, August 10	Edmonton International Raceway, NASCAR Racing	
Sunday, August 11	Edmonton Rally Club, Rallycross Championship #9	
Sunday, August 11	Southern Alberta Solosport Club, Fort Macleod, Event #7	
Monday, August 12	Stratotec, Open Lapping	
Thursday, August 15	Rocky Mountain Motorsports, High Performance Driving School	
Saturday, August 17	Edmonton International Raceway, NASCAR Racing	
Saturday, August 17	Southern Alberta Solosport Club, YYC Parking Lot, Event #8	
Sunday, August 18	Calgary Exotic Auto Guild, BFF	
Thursday, August 22	Track Techniques, Rocky Mountain Motorsports	
Thursday, August 22	Stratotec, Stratocross #5	
Friday, August 23	Track Junkies	
Saturday, August 24	Edmonton International Raceway, NASCAR Racing	
Saturday, August 24	Northern Alberta Sports Car Club, Sprints	
Saturday, August 24	Red Deer Sports Car Club, Event #10	

Saturday, August 24	Southern Alberta Solosport Club, Airdrie Air Park, Event #9	
Sunday, August 25	Red Deer Sports Car Club, Event #11	
Sunday, August 25	Northern Alberta Sports Car Club, Sprints	
Monday, August 26	Stratotec, Open Lapping	
Friday, August 30	Rocky Mountain Motorsports, Public Track Day	
Saturday, August 31	Edmonton International Raceway, NASCAR Racing	

## ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITIES

Would you like to see your product or service featured in *The Broken Spoke*? Selling ad space used to be the done thing when we were trying to cover the cost of paper, printing, and postage. These days, we use funds to cover events. You can help out the club by advertising, and we can help you by promoting your business (the digital version of the *Broken Spoke* goes out to almost 700 people). A full-page layout will run \$50/issue. Contact us anytime.

That's all for now! Enjoy this great weather and you know the drill: sign up for something and get out and drive. See you there!

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