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Northwest Region Time Trials Championship entrants (left to right) are Mark McCloskey, Scott Hicks, Matt Chambers, Brian Holsten, Ed Allen, Mario Brown and Scott Norton.

Team Northwest Time Trialers return with gold, silver, bronze from NorPac

The second annual NorPac Divisional Time Trials Championship was held on Sept. 15 and 16 at the Reno-Fernley Raceway in Nevada. The event was again hosted by the Reno Region. This year the event included a PDX in addition to the Club Trials and Track Trials championships.

The 65 entrants enjoyed “chamber of commerce” weather over the two days of racing and driving fun. The event used the Reno-Fernley Raceway B and G courses, which are two of the 15 different RFR track configurations. The PDX and Club Trials used the G course and the Track Trials used the more challenging and technical B course. There were five Club Trials and eight Track Trials champions decided this year.

The closest Time Trials race of the weekend belonged to the Track Trials TT-3 production class. The Northwest Region’s Mario Brown won the NorPac TT-3 Championship by a mere .047 seconds over Reno Region’s Jeffrey Denson. It doesn’t get much closer than that folks! After being down by .2 of a second after day one, Brown found the speed and the line needed to make up

Time Trials

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the difference on day two. This race group had everyone’s attention. The combined times from the two days of racing were used to decide the divisional championship in each class for both the Club Trials and Track Trials events.

The overall fastest lap time of the weekend belonged to the Northwest Region’s own Brian “Big Dog” Holsten, driving the well prepared Mystic Cobra Mustang. Brian turned in an extremely fast lap of 2:19.876 on the B course and was clocked at 140 mph on the front straight by radar gun. Brian’s in-car video can be seen at <http://video.google.com/videoplay?docid=7856293404967793615&hl=en> and <http://video.google.com/videoplay?docid=-2526683815933801224&hl=en>.

This year, seven drivers from the Northwest Region made the long (but rewarding) trek to participate in this popular and growing event. This year’s

representation of the NWR is more than double from last year’s inaugural Time Trials Championship event where there were only three NWR drivers making the long haul to participate and represent our region.

This year, Northwest Region drivers managed to place first (four times), second, third and fourth in Track Trials competition. They were Holsten (first place TT-1), Ed Allen (second place TT-1), Brown (first place TT-3), Matt Chambers (third place TT-3), Scott Hicks (fourth place TT-3), Scott Norton (first place TT-4) and Mark McCloskey (first place GT3).

All of these drivers would like to give a very special “thank you” to the Reno Region’s Dave and Carol Deborde for all their hard work to put on this great event and to all of the volunteers of the event for their efforts in making it happen. They are all looking forward to coming back again next year.

They would also like to see the number of Northwest Region drivers attending the 2008 NorPac Time Trials Championship grow as much as it did from year one to year two!

Nominations for NWR board now open

NORTHWEST REGION STAFF

Nominations for officers on the Board of Directors for Northwest Region, SCCA are open during the month of October. Any member in good standing with NWR-SCCA may nominate any other member in good standing of NWR

for open positions on the BoD.

The positions open for election or reelection are: assistant regional executive (ARE), secretary, treasurer and two members-at-large on that board.

AREs for Solo, Race, Time Trials and Rally will be appointed by the RE after the elections are final. Our newsletter

displays the names of current officers.

Elections will occur in November and winners will take office Jan. 1, 2008. Elected positions are for two years.

Nomination must be in writing if not made at the BoD meeting. E-mail nominations to Frank Hamilton or fax to 360-352-0716.