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- * 2/18-22 NEW CAR SHOW
DUKE Convention center
- s 4/18- Staring Line School- W E
- s 4/19- Points Event #1-W E
- s 5/23- Test and Tune- W P
- s 5/24- Points Event #2- W P
- s 5/29-5/31- Pro- Solo-W P
- R 6/12-14- Double/Champ series @ NCMMP
- s 6/14- Points Event #3 W E
- s 7/12- Points Event #4- T P
- s 7/26- Points Event #5- T P
- s 7/31-8/2- Pro-Solo- W P
- T 8/7 PDX @ Mid Ohio
- R 8/8-9 I.T. spectacular- Mid Ohio
- s 8/14-8/16-Championship Tour- W P
- s 8/30- Points Event #6- W E
- s 9/20- Points Event #7- W E
- s 10/4- Points Event #8- W E
- s 10/18- Make up date/fun event-W E

* We will doing a joint event with OVR, date tba.

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Deadline:

2/2/2015



---unless noted---

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- NCMMP** National Corvette Museum Motorsports Park
 - W E** Wilmington Employee lot
 - W P** Wilmington Pad
 - T P** Turfway Park Florence KY (tentative at printing)
 - S Solo**
 - R Race**
 - T Track**



photos by Rick Deerwester

Something a little different

by Rick Deerwester

If you're like most other car folks, you have a bucket list of automotive racing things that you've wanted to do or see. In my case I still have a few un-ticked boxes like running a race at **COTA** and experiencing **24 Hours of Daytona** from pit lane. But last September I took a one off my list when I spent three days in **Wendover Utah**, a dusty, desert town on the Nevada/Utah border that has a big casino and also happens to have the storied Bonneville Salt Flats just outside its city limits. The occasion was the annual World of Speed event hosted by **Utah Salt Flats racing Association** - one of the several land speed associations that sponsor land speed events (to include **ECTA** who host the Ohio Mile). By the way, the Bonneville flats are amazing even without the cars. To say it is "other-earthly" is no understatement. It is fourteen miles long and seven miles wide. It is so expansive that you can see the Earth's curvature as you look out on it! The picture of the blue line above (which marks the course) is five miles long and simply runs over the horizon.

The World of Speed event is a four day petro head extravaganza that features some of the most creative go fast machines you'll ever see. If you're a gear head like most race enthusiasts, you'll get your fill of looking at some of the most unusual fabrication work you'll see close up and personal. First there's a dazzling variety of machines there - from sleek streamliners, to belly tank "**Lakesters**", to motorcycles, to quad turbocharged twin thousand cubic inch semi's running 250 MPH+, down to steam powered racers with absolutely everything in between. Like most racers the competitors are inviting and almost overly enthusiastic about showing you their cars. It's definitely a very accessible sport.

One of the first cars I saw upon arrival was a beautiful red **Streamliner** (those are the cars whose wheels are enclosed inside their roughly 36 inch wide bodywork. It was powered by a twin turbocharged; fuel injected **1947 Buick** straight eight that was making 700 RWHP. Oh, and it had no radiator. It was cooled by an ice water tank inside the bodywork!

The **LSR** class system is both based on the type of car, displacement and whether it is naturally aspirated and finally if it is run on nitro methane. The result is a dizzying array of classes. In the Streamliner class alone, for example, there are internal combustion engine classes that stretch from AA (no displacement limit) through A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H and I (which I recall is 100 cc's). There are electric cars, full bodied cars and if all that wasn't sufficiently confusing, the event has a non-record side that is simply based on achieving certain speeds above 130 MPH through a measured mile.



If this Newsletter was a magazine, maybe I'd have space to fully explain the event, but since it isn't, we'll just have to settle on telling you that you need to put it on your list and figure a way to get to Wendover to experience it firsthand.

P.S. My visit was enough to plant the bug. The donor car for the G C/PRO class I'm taking to Utah in 2015 is in the garage being stripped for the cage!



Great Lakes Division SCCA 2015 Club Racing Schedule

| Date | Drivers Schools, PDXs, etc. | Regionals | Majors | SCCA / Pro Events |
|---|---|-------------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| 2/20 - 2/22 | Charlotte Convention Center | National Convention | Charlotte, NC | |
| 3/14 | | Spring Training | Findlay, OH | |
| 4/25, 4/26 | GL SCCA & Wat @ Waterford | | | |
| 5/2, 5/3 | Race 1 @ WAT | NeOhio @ NL (T, D, C) | BVR @ BHF (M) | |
| 5/9, 5/10 (Mother's Day) | | | | |
| 5/16, 5/17 | | SBR/WOR/DET @ GM (D, C) | | |
| 5/23 - 5/25 (Memorial Day) | | | | |
| 5/29 - 5/31 | | | OVR @ MO (M, ST) | |
| 6/6, 6/7 | Race 2 @ WAT | | | |
| 6/13, 6/14 | Practice Day for Entrants (6/12) | Cincinnati @ NCM (D, C) | | |
| 6/12 - 6/14 | | | CHI @ RA (M) | |
| 6/20, 6/21 (Father's Day) | | | | |
| 6/27, 6/28 | | WMR @ GRA (D, C) | | SVRA @ MO |
| 7/4, 7/5 | | | | |
| 7/11, 7/12 | | | SBR/DET @ GM (M) | |
| 7/18, 7/19 | Race 3 @ WAT | OVR @ MO (D, C) | | |
| 7/25, 7/26 | | | MIL @ RA (M) | |
| 7/31 - 8/2 | | | | IndyCar @ MO |
| 8/8, 8/9 | PDX @ MO (8/7) | Cincinnati @ MO (D, C) | | |
| 8/15, 8/16 | | | | NASCAR @ MO |
| 8/22, 8/23 | Practice Day for Entrants (8/21) | | WMR @ MIS (M) | |
| 8/29, 8/30 | | | | MO Comm event |
| 9/5, 9/6 (Labor Day) | | | | MO Comm event |
| 9/12, 9/13 | Race 4 @ WAT | | | |
| 9/19, 9/20 | | | | |
| 9/21 - 9/27 | SCCA Runoffs - Daytona International Speedway | | | |
| 9/26, 9/27 | Race 5 @ WAT | | | |
| 10/3, 10/4 | | | | |
| 10/10, 10/11 | PDX @ MO (10/9) | OVR @ MO (D, C) | | |
| 11/7 | GLD Scheduling Meeting (location TBA) | | | |
| GM = GingerMan Raceway / GRA = Ghrttan Raceway / MIS = Michigan International Speedway / MO = Mid Ohio Sports Car Course | | | | |
| NCM = National Corvette Museum / NL = Nelson Ledges / PIRC = Pittsburgh Internatinoal Race Course / WAT = Waterford Hills | | | | |
| C = Champ Series / D = Double / M = Major / Q = Quad / R = Restricted / ST = Super Tour / T = Tentative | | | | |
| red text indicates an out of division event | | | | |



Chase at Corvette Museum Motorsports Park

As the new year starts gearing up, this includes **MSX**, test days, work shops for all the specialties, where will you be? Spending time on track, in the pits, dodging cones or help in the tech shed. Ask around and try something new get a little out of your comfort zone. You'll might take a shine to it.

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