

The Villages Motor Racing Fan Club Pit News September, 2017

Next Meeting Wednesday October 4, 2017 at Colony Cottage Rec Center.

Going **GREEN** at 7:00PM

Editor: Janine Woodsford





As you know we had to cancel the night golf event in September due to the effects of Hurricane Irma. I am pleased to say Janine has secured another slot for the club on Wednesday October 11th at Saddlebrook. We will start at 5pm with a pot luck followed by a putting contest, then the golf.

Unfortunately our September speaker could not make our meeting, but I'm pleased to report that Ronnie Rohn, Jacsonville Stock Car Hall of Fame President and well known racer, will be with us for the October meeting.

We are negotiating with Ann Young on when to hold the sponsored event at Bronson Speedway, and we are now looking at a possible date on February 18th. This will enable more of our "Snowbird" members to attend. Once we have a firm date we will let you know.

October 28th is our anniversary picnic. And remember to bring a covered dish to serve up to 8 people. Please come in your favorite driver attire, or how about decorating your golf cart? Paper products will be provided, but BYOB. It will be at Lake Miona Picnic Pavilion, commencing at 1pm, or inside at Lake Miona Rec Center in case of bad weather Our proposed Garage Sale has been postponed indefinitely.

The Villages Cup go-cart event is still a go. It will be held at Bushnell Motorsports Park on October 14th. We have 8 people signed up so far. Please get your name to Jerry Conkle if you are interested. The fee is \$25.



October Speaker RONNIE ROHN

Ronnie is a longtime racer from Jackson, FL. He has an extensive resume which includes winning 15 consecutive races with his Camaro at Jax Raceway in 1978 and distinguished performances in Georgia and Northern Florida..



Bruce Benard







Bill Steele

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

WANTED VICE-PRESIDENT

Wendy Touchette has decided to resign as our vice-president.

Wendy has put in extensive time and energy in The Villages Motor Racing Fan Club,

and now she is looking forward to a well-deserved rest.

But that leaves us with a vacancy that we need to fill. If you would like to apply for this vacancy, please contact

TONY KENNEA-352-603-9197



Bushnell Motorsports Park

October 14, 2017 11:00



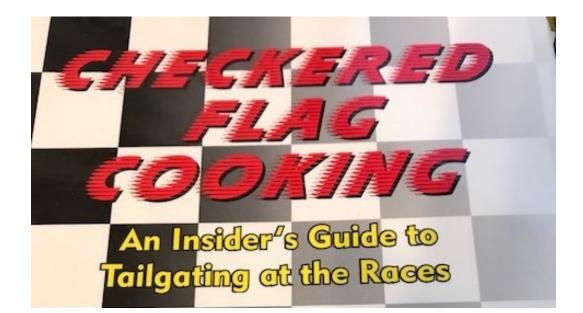
2017 Participants

2017 WINNERS

1st Place -Art Fehrman 2nd Place -Lou Palmer 3rd Place -Shel Larsen



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QUICHE AND TOAST

And Yes, real men do eat quiche!

Bread slices	1-1/2 cups shredded cheese
4 eggs, beaten	1 cup real bacon bits
1/4 cup milk	Salt & pepper to taste
1/3 cup chopped onion	Garlic powder to taste

Coat a muffin pan with nonstick spray. Gently press a piece of bread into each hole. Work slowly to avoid tearing the bread. Cook the bread in the oven at 350 about 5 minutes to set the shape. Mix remaining ingredients and spoon onto each piece of toast; cook an additional 10-15 minutes or until top of quiche is golden. Serve hot.

Submitted by D.—ARCA RE/MAX pit row official

A BIT OF RACING HISTORY



Photo credit: YouTube/Cody Buffington

First opened 70 years ago, this iconic part of NASCAR's history has been completely forgotten about and is falling apart - piece by piece.

One of the biggest tracks in the rising of NASCAR's empire, North Wilkesboro Speedway was opened at the beginning of <u>NASCAR</u> history in 1947 - only to be closed in 1996 after a final Winston Cup Series race, won by Jeff Gordon.

The track was one of NASCAR's most unique and featured an uphill backstretch and downhill front-stretch, measuring a total of 0.625 miles, but the roots of this infamous track weren't initially set in NASCAR, but rather in the early days of Prohibition where it was a dirt oval used by moonshiners to test their liquor cars.

Opened as a dirt raceway in 1947, the iconic France family promoted the first official event as a modified race, and blew the roof off of attendance expectations, reeling in more than three times the crowd they had planned for.

Continuing on as one of the foremost speedways in NASCAR, North Wilkesboro eventually was paved and updated with grandstands and other more modern amenities. It hosted the top series, NASCAR's Winston Cup for a total of 93 races until its closure in 1996.

The historic track reopened in 2010 for a few smaller Stock Car Series races, but shut down in the spring of the following year. When North Wilkesboro Speedway first shut down, it was due to a number of issues including the massive growth of NASCAR as a whole, and the size of the track. Other factors, like economics behind upgrading it with newer amenities and repairs also factored into the closure.

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PIT CREW

DID YOU KNOW

(AKA Almost Totally Useless Trivia)

- 1. If you keep a goldfish in a dark room, it will eventually turn white.
- 2. One ragweed plant can release as many as one billion grains of pollen.
 - 3. No piece of dry paper can be folded in half more than 7 times.
- 4. A group of geese on the ground is a gaggle, a group of geese in the air is a skein.
 - 5. Clinophobia is a fear of beds.

Track	Location	Phone #	Address	Zip
	Location			
Auburndale Speedway	Winter Haven	(863)551-1131	5640 E County Rd 542	33880
Bronson Speedway	Archer	(352)486-4998	9950 FL-24	32618
Bubba Raceway Park	Ocala	(352)622-9400	9050 NW Gainesville Rd	34482
Citrus County Speedway	Inverness	(352)341-5764	3600 S Florida Ave	34450
Desoto Speedway	Bradenton	(914)748-3171	21050 State Rd 64 E	34212
East Bay Raceway Park	Tampa (Gibsonton)	(813)677-7223	6311 Burts Rd	33619
Marion County Speedway	Ocala	(352)812-3922	7197 NW Gainesville Rd	34475
New Smyrna Speedway	Samsula	(386)427-4129	3939 Florida 44	32168
Original Speedway Park	Fruitland Park	(352)787-4968	35400 Micro Racetrack Rd	34731
Orlando Speedworld	Bithlo	(407)568-1367	19164 E Colonial Dr	32820
Putnam County Speedway	Satsuma	(386)649-6969	1009 US 17	32189
Showtime Speedway	Pinellas Park	(727)561-9646	4550 Ulmerton Rd	33762
Volusia Speedway Park	De Leon Springs	(386)985-4402	1500 E State Rd 40	32130

UPCOMING LOCAL RACES

Auburndale Speedway

Oct 14, 2017 Sportsman 50/MC/MS/MM/SC Oct 21, 2017 Mod Mini 50, Mini Cup/Mini Scrambler/Mini Stock/V8Bomber Oct 28 & 29, 2017 AUBURNDALE SPEEDWAY FALL NATIONALS

Bronson Speedway

Oct 7, 2017 Pure stock/Strictly Stock/Legends

Oct 8, 2017 Legends/Strictly Stock/Open Comp Pure Stock

Oct 14, 2017 NNS/Bronson Speedway Sportsman Series 50/Pro Truck/Pure stock/Strictly Stock.

Citrus County Speedway and Track

Oct 7, 2017 50 lap Pro Truck/Mod Mini/25 lap Mini Stock/Pure Stock/Pure Stock Figure 8 Oct 14, 2017 30 Lap Pro Figure 8/50 Lap Street Stock/25 lap Mini Stock/Street Stock/Mod Mini/ & Demo Derby Oct 21, 2017 50 Lap Sportsman/25 lap Mini Stock/Street Stock/Pure Stock /Mod Mini/ & PS Powder Puff

Oct 28, 2017 50 lap Super Late Model/25 lap Mini Stock/Pure Stock/Mod Mini/Pure Stock Figure 8.

New Smyrna Speedway

Oct 7, 2017 Pro Late Model/Modifieds/Sportsman/Bombers

Oct 14, 2017 Hart to Heart Breast Cancer Foundation Super Late Model 100/ Super Stocks/Mod Minis Oct 21, 2017 Pro Late Models/Sportsman/Modifieds/Bombers

Oct 28, 2017 Super Late Models/Pro Late Models/Sportsman/Super Stock/Modifieds/Mod Mini/Bombers



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