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Triumph is this year's featured marque as we honor the 71st anniversary of the first post-World War II road race in the United States – held right here in Watkins Glen. To see an impressive collection of Triumphs, be sure to visit Lafayette Park – one block east of Franklin Street between Fourth and Fifth streets. The cars should arrive from their Tour de Marque rally at around 2 p.m. to park on display.

The Tour de Marque rally is one of five that will arrive throughout the day. You'll also see displays of memorable cars at the Concours d'Elegance at Watkins Glen State Park and the Concorso Speciale at Community Bank.

The ever-popular Legends Speak program presented by the International Motor Racing Research Center will once

again take place from 3-4 p.m. in the gazebo in Lafayette Park. We are honored to have this year's grand marshal, the legendary Hurley Haywood, for the entire hour. Five wins in the 24 Hours of Daytona, three in the 24 Hours of Le Mans and two in the 12 Hours of Sebring make him one of the greatest drivers in the history of sports car endurance racing. Don't miss this opportunity to spend an hour "up close and personal" with the great Hurley Haywood, always a favorite with the fans at Watkins Glen.

The SVRA vintage race cars will roar into town at 4:45 p.m. to park on display on Franklin Street. "Pre-Race" ceremonies will be held at 5:35 p.m. in front of the Court House, and the Grand Prix Race Tribute cars will fire up their engines at 6 p.m.

Experience a day filled with memories – from racing's earliest days in Watkins Glen to the new ones you'll be building with us. Welcome and enjoy!

In the Spirit of the Sport,



Marianne Marts
Management Team Leader



The 2018 Watkins Glen Grand Prix Festival pace car.

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By **TERRIE SAUTTER**

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Free parking is available at the Clute Park Community Center on Route 414, just east of downtown Watkins Glen. Spectators and volunteers can park and board the shuttle to get closer to the event sites along Franklin Street and reduce walking and downtown traffic. This is the only location for shuttle parking.

Additional passenger drop-off and pick-up sites along Porter Street will be located on the east side of Lafayette Park, site of the Tour de Marque display featuring Triumph and near the Middle School Apartments. These sites are for bus passenger pick-up and drop-off only, with no parking. Spectators can get on or off at any location. Programs are available on the shuttle bus.

Utilization of this service helps to reduce traffic flow in the village and make parking and road traffic easier for everyone.

The free shuttle will run from 1:30 p.m. until the streets re-open at 8 p.m. The last run will be at 9 p.m.

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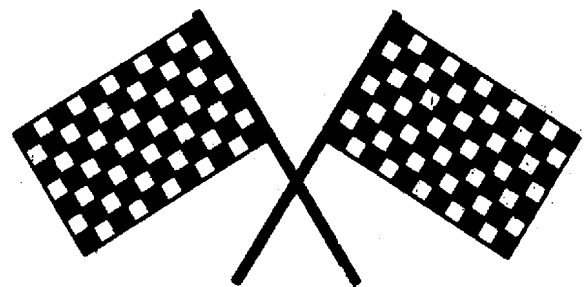
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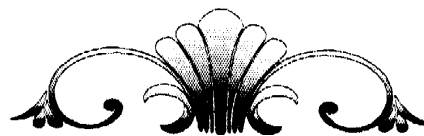
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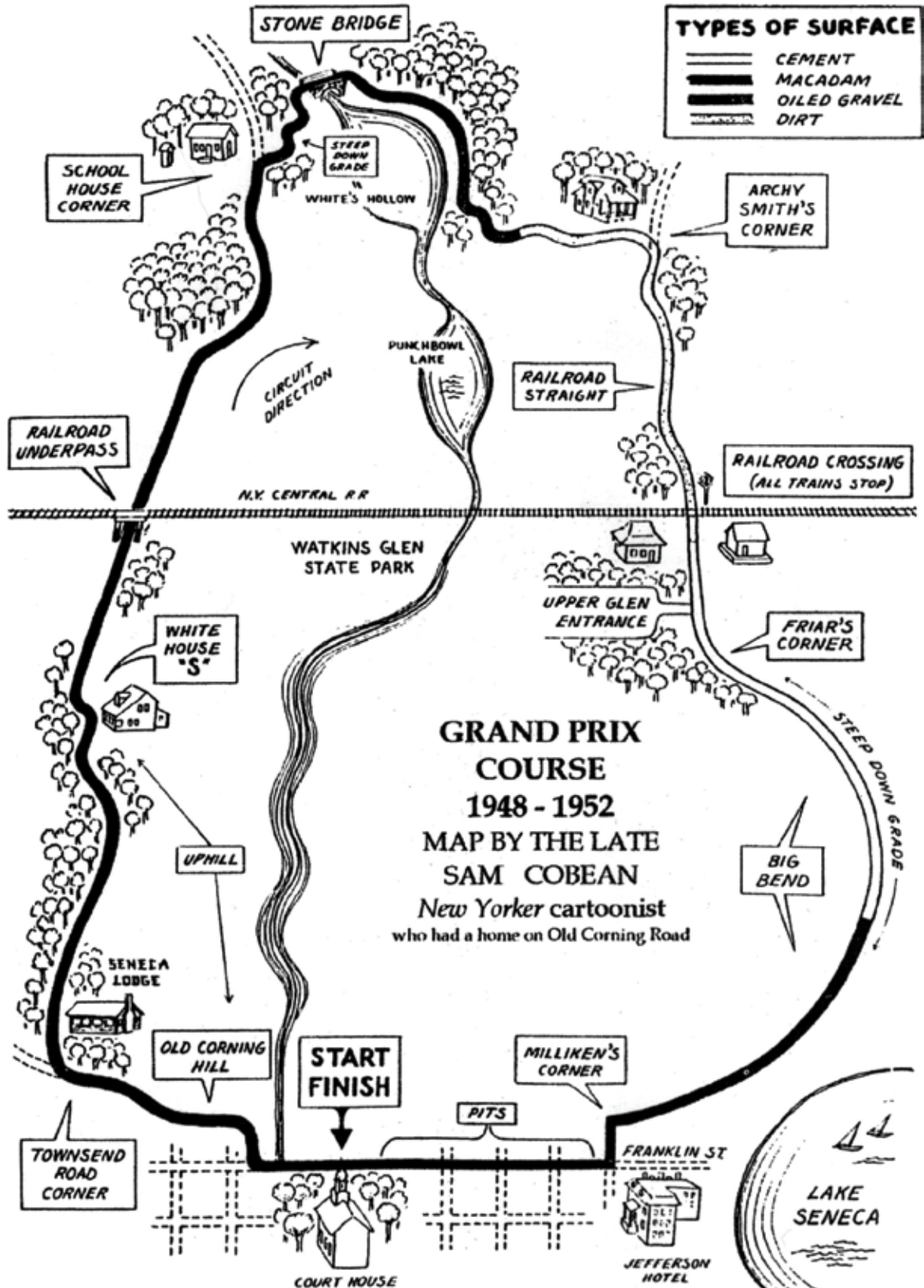
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Young Man's Dream Puts Glen on Racing Map

The story is well-known: A young man from Youngstown, Ohio, who spent summers with family in the Watkins Glen area, looked at the village and the surrounding countryside and envisioned a European-style sports car race through the streets and on nearby rural roads.

Local community leaders listened and liked what they heard. So, too, did national sports car owners.

Seventy-one years ago, on Oct. 2, 1948, Cameron R. Argetsinger's vision was fulfilled when a green flag signaled the start of a venture that would evolve over the decades into the international phenomenon of racing in Watkins Glen.

A field of 23 cars entered the first race of the day, a qualifier for the highly anticipated feature race, the Watkins Glen Grand Prix. They raced on a challenging 6.6-mile circuit made up of village, state, town and park roads made of asphalt, cement and dirt.

The Junior Prix was a four-lap race. Fifteen cars would make it to the starting grid for the 8-lap, 52.8-mile Grand Prix. Ten cars finished the race.

Frank T. Griswold Jr. of Wayne, PA, driving a 1938 Alfa Romeo 2900 B, won both races.

Racing continued on the streets, attracting ever-increasing crowds, through 1952. Tragically, a young Watkins Glen resident was killed and several people were injured when a

car hit spectators at the start of the second lap. The race was stopped.

Competition moved to a temporary course in 1953, and a 2.3-mile permanent road course was built in 1956. The following year, the Glen hosted its first professional race, a NASCAR Grand National Stock Car event won by Buck Baker over Fireball Roberts.

True international competition, one of Argetsinger's foremost goals, began in 1958 with the running of a Formula Libre race.

Formula I was among the many racing series thrilling race fans over the years. Watkins Glen would be the home of the U.S. Grand Prix for 20 years, from 1961 through 1980.

Facing financial problems, from 1981 through 1984 only a few SCCA events, which were not open to the public, were run at the track.

A renovated and renamed race track opened in 1984. As Watkins Glen International it has hosted a variety of professional and amateur racing competitions, including SVRA, NASCAR, SCCA, IMSA and IndyCar.

Watkins Glen International three times has been selected by fans as the best track in NASCAR's Monster Energy Cup series and just a few weeks ago hosted the Go Bowling at the Glen NASCAR race.



Triumph Cars Have Raced Here Since 1954

By **BILL GREEN** and **DAVE WILD**

Triumph sports cars came to race for the first time at Watkins Glen in 1954 during the Grand Prix weekend in September. They raced in the Seneca Cup and Glen Trophy events.

Charles Wilson, driving a Triumph TR2, finished 19th overall and third in E Production class in the Seneca Cup. The Glen Trophy race saw Jim Robinson finish 17th overall and first in EP class. Bob Salzgaber finished 25th overall and second in EP class in the same race.

They were both driving Triumph TR2s. Two other Triumphs were entered, but didn't race in the Glen Trophy.

Both races were 11 laps over the 4.6-mile course.

The popularity of Triumph sports cars saw more of these cars race at the Glen in both SCCA regional and national races.

During the 1962 races at the Glen in the fall Nationals, Bob Tullius won the Harold Jacques Memorial race for EP class. He finished first overall driving a Triumph TR4.

The race was 22 laps, and his average speed was 77.32 mph.



Fletcher Andrews in his #78 Triumph TR3 races in the 1957 Glen Classic, Race 2.

The Harold Jacques Memorial race again was won by Tullius in both 1968 and 1969. He was first in C Production.

In 1969, at the SCCA Nationals at Watkins Glen, the Schuyler Carrera for class G and H Production saw victory

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Bob Tullius races in SCCA competition in the 1970s in his #44 Triumph.

by Bob Krokus in a Triumph with an average speed of 62 mph.

A few of the other drivers who over the years raced Triumph cars at the Glen in SCCA regional and national races were Richard Cosgrove, Bob Rynone, Larry Jankins, Fan McAllister, Dave Adams, Dewey Parker, Gary Lorow and Donald Aylesworth.

Although a few of the classically styled Triumph 1800 and 2000 roadsters were sold in the U.S. in the 1940s and early '50s, they weren't a big part of the sports car movement in America. The introduction of the Triumph TR2 in 1953 offered a "lot of bang for the buck" as a 100 mph car for \$2,500. The improved TR3 and then the prettier Miche-lotti-styled TR4, with more practical rollup windows and larger cockpit, appealed to later enthusiasts.

The TR6, with independent rear suspension, is presently a very collectible car. The later wedge-shaped TR7 was unfortunately subject to poor-quality assembly and factory union problems. The following TR8, with a Rover version of the old Buick/Olds/Pontiac V8 engine, again offered high performance.

The four-cylinder Triumph Spitfire and the Spitfire-based GT6, a coupe with a six-cylinder engine, offered both sports car performance and economy at a lower price point.

The last Triumph model was the Acclaim, introduced in 1981 and essentially a rebadged Honda Ballade built under license from Honda. The Triumph name disappeared over the summer of 1984, when the Acclaim was replaced by the Rover 200, a rebadged version of Honda's next generation Civic/Ballade model.



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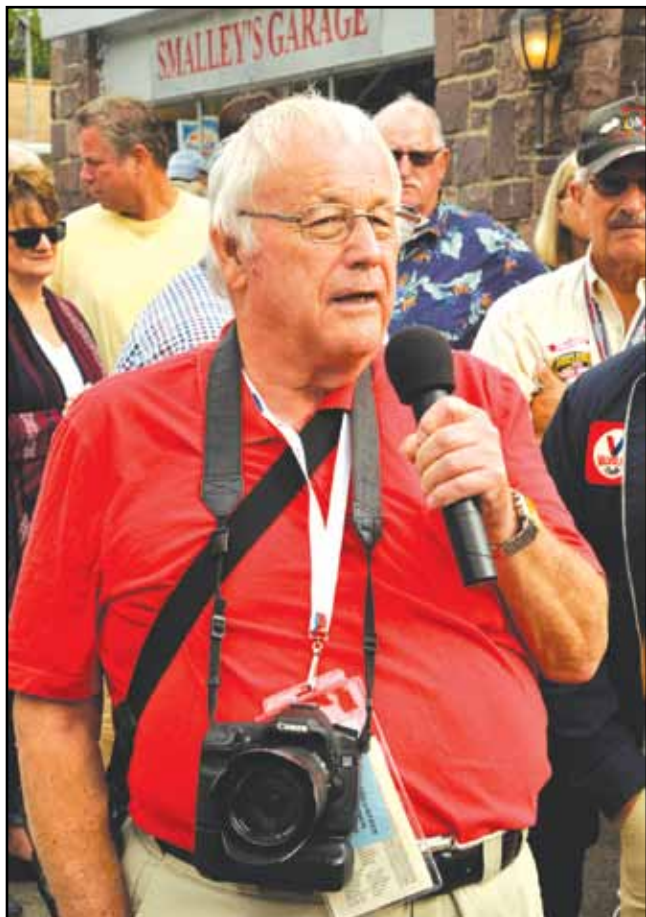
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Tour de Marque Spotlights Triumphs

By **BRUCE COULOMBE**

The Watkins Glen Grand Prix Festival Weekend Tour de Marque has a unique venue and format that provide drivers of the honored marque of the year with an opportunity to experience the best of Watkins Glen. This year we reprise a favorite that last graced the hills and streets of Watkins Glen in 2008: Triumph!

Though the marque officially ceased production in 1984, you'll see the owners of these classic cars have kept the flame (and the petrol) burning brightly for their beloved TRs, Stags, Spitfires, Heralds and many more.

Some of you in town early this week may have noticed an unusually large number of Triumphs driving around even before Festival day. Festival organizers put on a gathering on Thursday to start the Festival early for this year's marque. The Finger Lakes Triumph event previewed some 50 of the Tour de Marque cars with a gathering in Lafayette Park, followed by a road rally stopping at Lakewood Vineyards, and then up the lake to Penn Yan for dinner at the Top of the Lake Restaurant.

On Friday the Tour de Marque begins with arrival and registration of our Triumphs at the Chateau LaFayette Reneau Winery, overlooking Seneca Lake and our famed wine country. One hundred Triumphs and their owners will gather to begin a day of hobnobbing with each other, displaying their prized cars and proudly doing with their cars what they enjoy most – driving.

From the winery, the cars will quickly disappear up into the hills above the lake to begin a 60-mile road rally across some of the finest sports car roads our region has to offer. The rally will end with a brunch at the famed Watkins Glen International race circuit. There the participants will get to enjoy a stroll through the vintage race car paddock and a first-hand "behind the ropes" view of the racing circuit by wheeling their cars around the track.

After the visit to WGI, the Tour heads out to join the downtown Festival, making a grand entrance as the cars come down the hill on the Old Course, around Milliken's Corner, and then down Franklin Street. The cars will come to a stop behind our pace car. The pace car will pick up the

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group at the original Grand Prix start/finish line on Franklin Street, and with a wave of the starter's flag, the cars are off, and the excitement of entering the first turn of this historic course will be felt by all.

Two laps later as the cars return to the village, they are directed down Fourth Street to Lafayette Park, where the cars will be arranged on display by the Tour's crack team of volunteers to line up proudly for all to enjoy. Their owners will have more time to bond over stories of the joys of owning and driving such an iconic marque.

Don't be afraid to strike up a conversation with any of them – the participants on the Tour are here to share their cars and their experiences with all of us. They love their cars and love to talk about them.

All of those who participate in the Tour de Marque automatically become members of the Festival's Stone Bridge Drivers group. Our motto is "We drive the Old Course!"

For more information about being a Stone Bridge Driver by participating in the 2020 Tour de Marque (featuring Alfa Romeo) or any of our other driving events, visit the Grand Prix Festival's website at www.grandprixfestival.com.



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Join the Stone Bridge Drivers Crew

By CASEY CREAMER

More than 600 sports and special interest street cars enter our Stone Bridge Driver events each year. As they each get their chance to drive the Old Course, they become the stars of the Watkins Glen Grand Prix Festival, and are a great tribute to the birth of road racing in the USA.

If you want to observe just how much fun a bunch of Stone Bridge Drivers can have, just show up anywhere on Franklin Street between 1 and 4 and watch as the fun commences. Warning, if big smiles frighten you, look away. Because you will most likely see the biggest collection of large grins and huge smiles you have ever seen in one place at one time.

If you consider yourself a gearhead and have a car or motorcycle that you think is cool, then one of your motoring goals for 2020 should be to become one of our Stone Bridge Drivers.

Just join any of our Stone Bridge Driver events for which you qualify: the Founders' Tour, the Glenora Run, the

Tour de Marque, the Concours d'Elegance, the Sporting Roadster Tour, the Glenkhana, the Concorso Speciale, the LOONY Lotus Rendezvous, the Lane's Yamaha Vintage Motorcycle Rallye and the FLX Triumph Trip to the Top for the Thursday before the Friday Grand Prix Festival. We also extend the fun to May with our Grist Iron Brewing Grand Tour. Perfect timing for those who need an excuse to get their cars out of winter hibernation.

Keep in mind that the featured marque for 2020 will be Alfa Romeo. That means that the FLX Trip to the Top and the Tour de Marque will both feature Alfa Romeo.

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Tech Inspection Reenactment at Smalley's

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All these items are on a long list reviewed by "Flossie Smalley," aka Jennifer Sweet, during the Smalley's Garage Tech Inspection Reenactment first thing in the morning of the 2019 Grand Prix Festival.

Located at Smalley's, still at 204 S. Franklin St. since opening in 1941, the Tech Inspection Reenactment is a popular event for both spectators and the owners of vintage cars who hand over their vehicles for "Flossie's" scrutiny.

Florence Smalley, who owned Smalley's Garage with her husband, Lester, was involved with race car tech inspections from the first competition in 1948. In the first year, inspections were done at the various local gas stations and garages along Franklin Street. William F. Milliken Jr., George B. Weaver and Florence together checked the cars. As the entries grew in 1949, it was recognized that a better-organized central location was needed for inspection.

The Smalleys offered their garage and gas station, where they did general auto repairs and sold foreign cars. Famous marques of the time, which were sold and maintained, included MG, Morris Minor, Triumph, Renault, Riley and Citroen.

Even today, Smalley's Garage remains the place to go for foreign sports car repair, and the small, stone-faced building looks much the same today as it did in those early years.

A large tent would be erected behind Smalley's in which the race car inspections were carried out. The cars were routed behind the garage and then through the tent in two lines. Passing through several "stations," the cars were checked for safety equipment, appearance, proper numbers and mechanical soundness. If all tests were passed, an "OK" sticker was placed on the car and it was ready.

Even after 1952, when cars no longer raced through the streets, race car inspection continued at Smalley's Garage, until it was moved to the track in 1962. The tech inspection procedure established by Florence and Alfred Momo is still being used today in Sports Car Club of America sports car racing.

Visit the original showroom and enjoy the historic memorabilia on display. See the large metal plaque that was placed in the old tech inspection building to honor Florence, who passed away in March 1967. The plaque reads: "Florence Weaver Smalley Technical Garage, Technical Inspector 1948-1960."

During the 1998 Grand Prix Festival, a Drivers Walk of Fame stone was placed in front of the garage in honor of Lester Smalley, who drove at Watkins Glen in the 1956 Glen Classic.

Lester drove his last race at the dirt track in Dundee at the age of 82. He died in August 2004.



tions. His most significant victory came at the Global Crossing at the Glen in 2000. He competed in 56 races over the period of his career. He also competed in the Xfinity Series having three wins, 29 top 10s and one pole. His marker is also located near the Seneca Lodge sign on Franklin Street, near the Glen Creek bridge.

Everyone knows Danica Patrick. She made a name for herself competing successfully with the men in the Indy Car series. In 2005, Danica was the Indianapolis 500 Rookie of the Year as well as the Rookie of the Year for the entire Indy Car series. She was also the winner of the 2008 Japan 300. In the following years, she transferred to NASCAR and was often competitive but was never able to win a series race. Popular among the fans, she was responsible for drawing many spectators to the various NASCAR races. She had many firsts for women in auto racing. First to win in the Indy Car series, first to clinch a pole in NASCAR, the most starts and the most top 10s.

She also had the highest finish for a woman in both the Indy 500 and the Daytona 500. She was one of 14 racers to have led both races. She was voted the most popular Indy Car driver from 2005 to 2010 and most popular NASCAR driver in 2012. She retired in 2018 after her final race at the

Indy 500. Her marker will be located in front of the Seneca Physical Therapy offices on Franklin Street.

Another local driver who became prominent in the field was Lou Gigliotti, hailing from Geneva, NY. He made a name for himself in sports cars at Watkins Glen. Organizer of the LG Motorsports racing team, he won the 1996 and 1997 Watkins Glen World Challenge in a Mustang, the 2015 Road America Pirelli World Challenge in an Aston Martin and was 1991, 1992 and 1996 World Challenge National Champion. His marker is located in front of Community Bank on Franklin Street.



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Motorsports Fans Urged to Visit IMRRC

International Motor Racing Research Center – what does that even mean? Racing archives? Sounds a bit dull – and dusty. Not so!

In the words of a recent visitor to the Center, “This is a great place trying to preserve the history of all forms of motor racing. It is a must-see attraction and deserves all the support the racing community can give!”

In 1948, Cameron Argetsinger, then 27 years old, initiated post-World War II American road racing in the little Finger Lakes village of Watkins Glen – and the rest is history: a world class race track that has hosted nearly every sort of racing event from Formula I to NASCAR.

In 1996, as local leaders and Watkins Glen International officials began to discuss how to celebrate the 50th anniversary of racing in Watkins Glen, Jean Argetsinger, Cameron’s wife and longtime library board president, proposed an addition to the Watkins Glen Public Library that would allow expansion of its small but excellent collection of motor racing books. Once again, in Argetsinger – and Watkins Glen – style, this initial gesture has resulted in a world-class organization, respected throughout the motorsports community.

The mission: to collect, preserve and share the history of motor racing. Does this mean lots of papers and books? Yes, but so much more.

No longer limited to books, the Center’s international collection includes nearly 5,000 volumes; hundreds of DVD and VHS recordings; periodicals dating back to the 1930s; thousands of slides, photographs, negatives and films; race programs from around the world; trophies, artwork, models, race results and much more. The Sports Car Club of America archives are housed at the Center, as well as the archives of Chris Economaki’s seminal National Speed Sport News. In fact, his typewriter is currently on display in an exhibit at the media center at WGI. A rotating display of a historically significant race cars serves as a centerpiece.

Is the Center a place for professional writers researching materials for articles and books or documentary filmmakers who need background? Yes. But it’s also a place for every motor racing fan – from spectator to competitor, to team owner and race organizer. Here is what a few recent visitors to the Center had to say:

- “I called them in hopes of getting support for a research



project on a local dirt track. Wow, very helpful and interested. Highly recommend!”

- “They provided me with much-needed information on my old Volvo 1800S SCCA FP race car.”

- “Absolutely loved the history that is being preserved. The people working there were so nice. I look forward to visiting again.”

- “Great place to go. If you love cars and racing, it is a must.”

The Center is a not-for-profit organization, funded by member support, corporate sponsorships, grants, income from an endowment, as well as by fundraising activities, including an annual car raffle and an annual awards dinner, each year honoring a motor racing great.

This year’s car raffle features a restored 1986 Ferrari 328 GTS valued at \$71,500. Tickets are \$40 each – or three for \$100 – and the raffle drawing will be held on Oct. 5.

To become an IMRRC member, to purchase raffle tickets – or just for more information on motor racing history and the Center – visit racingarchives.org. The site also hosts a blog, Stopwatch, featuring racing history brought to life by the stories of those who made it.

Visit us online, give us a call, or stop in to visit! There’s lots to see. Swap stories with the staff and watch “25 Years at Speed: The Watkins Glen Story” with Brock Yates, to learn more about Watkins Glen’s rich racing history.

The International Motor Racing Research Center is located at 610 Decatur St., Watkins Glen. Admission is free. Hours are Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Hurley Haywood to Solo at Legends Speak

An integral part of the Grand Prix Festival is the popular Legends Speak program, sponsored by the International Motor Racing Research Center. The event takes place from 3-4 p.m. on the bandstand in Lafayette Park, and, as the name suggests, allows fans the opportunity to see and hear from the “legends” of Watkins Glen in a relaxed, “up close and personal” setting.

Previous participants in the program have included Brian Redman, Bill Milliken, Otto Linton, Oscar Koveleski and other notables associated with the rich, exciting history of racing at Watkins Glen. In 2018, David Hobbs and Davy Jones shared memories of their storied careers and racing at Watkins Glen in an extremely entertaining program.

This year we are honored to have the great Hurley Haywood for the entire hour. Five wins in the 24 Hours of Daytona, three in the 24 Hours of Le Mans and two in the 12 Hours of Sebring have more than secured Hurley’s place as one of the great endurance sports car racers in history. While he is most closely associated with the powerful and dominant Brumos Porsche racing team in both sports car and Can-Am racing, Haywood also competed in Indy Car and



HURLEY HAYWOOD

IROC series and drove the powerful AWD Audi in IMSA competition.

In addition to his racing exploits, he helped develop both the Brumos Driving Experience and the Porsche Sport Driving School, encouraging Porsche enthusiasts to learn more about their cars and their own personal driving capabilities.

In 2018, Hurley and co-author Sean Cridland published the autobiography “Hurley From the Beginning,” giving the public an in-depth look at both the race driver and more importantly, the man himself.

Join us for this year’s Legends Speak and spend an hour with the legendary Hurley Haywood. It will be fun, entertaining and insightful – a wonderful addition to your Festival Friday!! See you there!



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We thank the owners of these fine vehicles for sharing them with the enthusiasts at the Festival and for helping to preserve and celebrate Watkins Glen's road racing heritage.



Glenora Run Original Festival Rally

By **TERRIE SAUTTER**

Drive your own sports car down into Watkins Glen and around Milliken’s Corner to the cheers of hundreds and hundreds of spectators – on the same roads that Denver Cornett, John Fitch, Otto Linton, Bill Milliken and Sam and Miles Collier drove at speed – now that’s exciting!

All of the Grand Prix Festival of Watkins Glen Stone Bridge Driver events are close to the hearts of many sports car enthusiasts for that very experience.

That thrill spread like wildfire, and the Glenora Run – the first Stone Bridge Driver event – was soon joined by other events. The Chateau LaFayette Reneau Founders’ Tour, Knapp Vineyards Sporting Roadster Tour, the WGI Tour de Marque and the Lane’s Yamaha Vintage Motorcycle Rallye all have roots in Glenora Run.

Early Friday morning, while downtown Watkins Glen is still preparing for other events to begin, more than 100 vintage sports cars gather at Glenora Wine Cellars north of Watkins Glen. Drivers and navigators prepare for a lively drive with twists and turns through several counties – this is the Glenora Run!

Stone Bridge Driver events are unique; “car show” participants rarely have the opportunity to drive their cars as part of the event. In Watkins Glen, that’s the *raison d’etre*. The first Stone Bridge Driver event, Glenora Run honors the “vintage” aspect of the Festival by including only vehicles that were built pre-1986.

Glenora Run rallies depart Glenora Wine Cellars on one of three different 50- to 75-mile, rally-style routes, and driver and navigator test their skill (and relationship) as they watch for checkpoints, follow clues and answer questions,

All routes converge in Montour Falls to be staged for a lap through the Schuyler Hospital Seneca View Nursing Facility parking lot – also known as the Seneca View Chicane – then on to Watkins Glen State Park’s Hidden Valley for lunch. The Seneca View parking lot lap has become a highly anticipated tradition for drivers as well as the residents and staff, who wave racing flags and cheer on the drivers – remembering days past when similar cars raced through the streets of Watkins Glen.

After lunch and awards, “Glenora Runners” take to the streets again for two laps of the Old Course. For many par-

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ticipants, this is the most significant part of the day – to re-trace the route that the original race cars followed from 1948-52. All Stone Bridge Drivers share the thrill that Briggs Cunningham, Cameron Argetsinger and others felt on these country roads.

It can be a little tricky to navigate the historic course, as Denver Cornett discovered entering the Stone Bridge that bears his name and heading out the other side.

After the excitement of laps of the old course, Glenora Run cars assemble on the streets of Watkins Glen for spectator review until the day's events are over.

The Glenora Run is much enjoyed by the participants and registration fills early. Along with the other Stone Bridge Driver events, the Glenora Run is just another reason the Grand Prix Festival of Watkins Glen is one-of-a-kind in sports car circles, nationwide.

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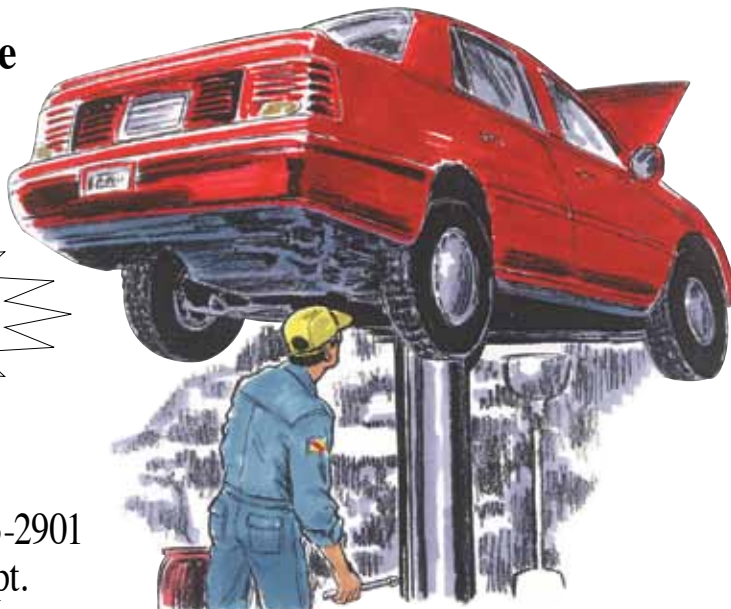
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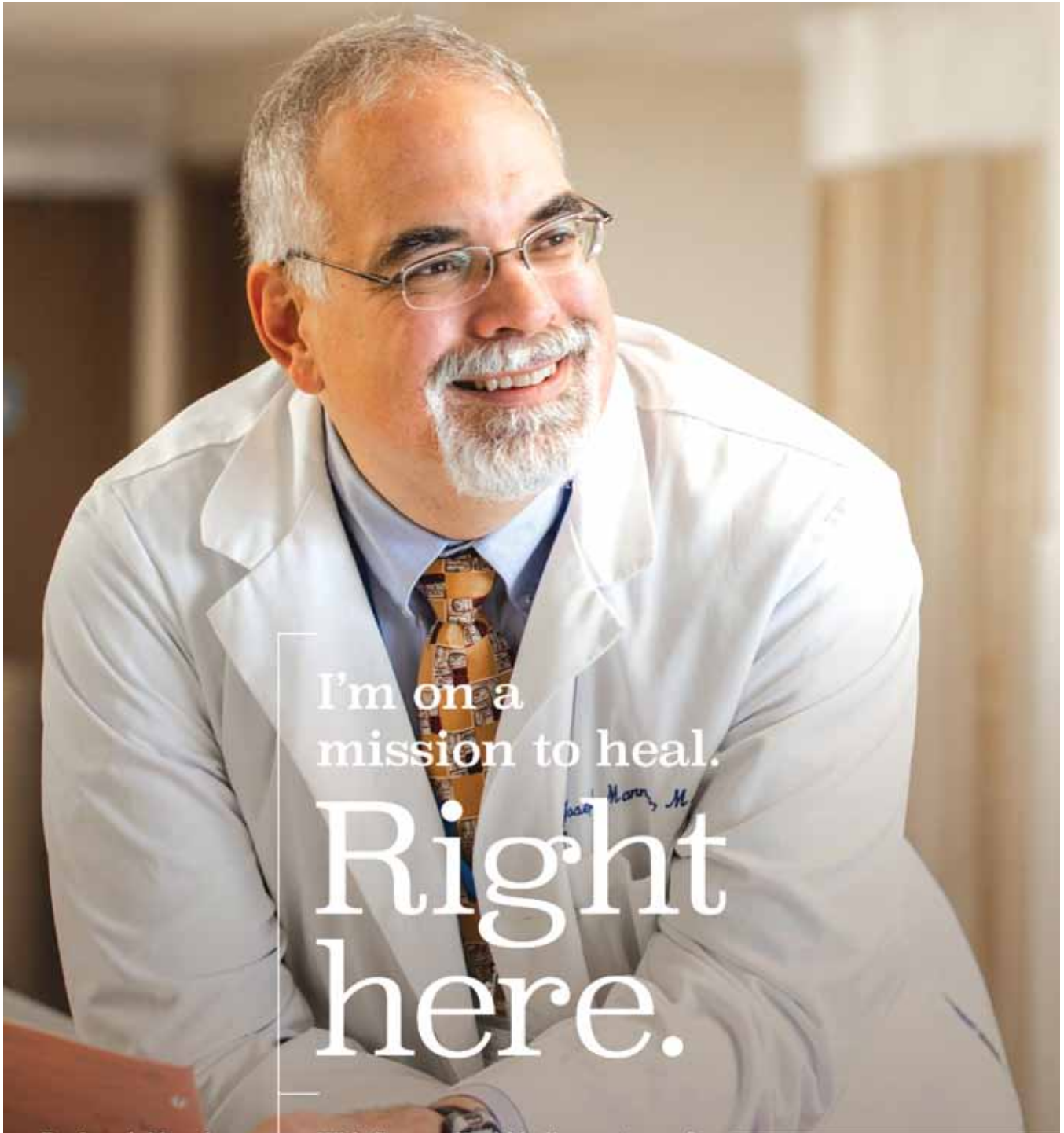
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Founders' Tour Offers Two Different Routes

By **CARL D. BENSON**

The Founders' Tour and our host Chateau LaFayette Reneau Winery & Inn welcome you to join us for a most unique gathering of sports and classic automobiles at the world famous Watkins Glen Grand Prix Festival's Founders' Tour!!

The Tour is one of the classic Stone Bridge Driver exhilarating driving events representing about 100 spectacular vintage and classic cars. By joining, you become an official Stone Bridge Driver and you and your sports or classic car will celebrate the beginning of sports car road racing at world famous Watkins Glen on the original 6.6-mile Grand Prix road course.

Festival day, Friday, features a grand tour, consisting of two cross-country routes, lunch, two laps of the original 1948 Grand Prix course as well as special reserved downtown Watkins Glen parking for you to enjoy. All our Festival guests will welcome the distinct Founders' Tour as it rolls its way through downtown Watkins Glen to a reserved and uniquely accessible parking location across from the State Park entrance. The Founders' tour display complements the famous Grand Prix festivities and is open for everyone to enjoy.

The Tour field is split into two routes originating at Chateau LaFayette Reneau in Hector, 15 minutes north of

Watkins Glen, offering drivers the exciting road challenges the original Grand Prix drivers encountered on their way to the winner's circle. The Stone Bridge Driver and guest will enjoy the region's most spectacular world-class driving topography a motoring experience can offer, with tight switchbacks and gorgeous lake views, dotted with vineyards and their fine wine cellars. Of course, the group drives the 6.6-mile original Grand Prix course, steeped in the history of our motor racing heritage.

At Chateau LaFayette Reneau, the drivers arrive at 9:30 a.m. Festival day. They enjoy the winery's ambiance, pleasant hospitality and spectacular views. And, of course, there's time at Chateau LaFayette Reneau to share some bench driving talks with other tour drivers and navigators.

After a special warm welcome, drivers briefing and a Chateau LaFayette Reneau gourmet box lunch, the tour bursts alive with excitement at about 11 a.m. for the challenging, cross-country, 60-mile-plus tours. The drivers ultimately reach downtown Watkins Glen and grid on Franklin Street to take their Old Course 6.6-mile laps.

We invite you to join the absolute fun next year. But enroll early, as limited openings fill quickly. Follow us on the web, at www.grandprixfestival.com/Stone Bridge Drivers Events or by phone at (607) 535-3003.



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Roadster Tour Just For Open-Top, Two-Seaters

By ERIC NAVESTAD

The 17th Annual Knapp Vineyards Sporting Roadster Tour is a spectacular tour, designed for those who own open-top, two-seat roadsters of any vintage and truly love to get out there and drive their cars on the most engaging roads in the region. We call this the “Running of the Roadsters.”

Each year the route is changed so those returning for yet another year can expect something new, but we do revisit our favorite stretches of asphalt often. The Friday after Labor Day is packed with lots of great driving on really fun roads, a stop at Knapp Vineyards in Romulus and the extraordinary two parade laps around the original 1948 6.6-mile Watkins Glen road course. All participants get lunch at the Knapp Vineyards Restaurant, a commemorative bottle of Knapp wine and a special dash plaque for their roadster.

Confirmed participants sign in at Havana Glen Park in Montour Falls by 8 a.m. The route is a nice blend of scenic and fun roads in the Finger Lakes Region. Detailed instructions and tour routes are provided at sign-in. The tour of approximately 180 miles is divided into several seat-friendly blocks of time, with a morning break provided back at Havana Glen Park. Participants wanting a shorter drive may join the tour during the morning break at 9:30 a.m., cutting the drive down to approximately 100 miles.

At the end of the tour, all the roadsters convene at Watkins Glen State Park, where they grid into formation for their two, full parade laps. Once the call is received, the roadsters take to the Old Course in grand fashion, running the very same course the racecars ran 71 years ago.



While driving the Old Course laps, you are part of the show. Festival goers line the streets downtown and cheer when the cars pass by. On the country roads outside the village, spectators gather in fields waiting for the seemingly endless parade of fine sports cars to drive by.

After the parade laps, all the sporting roadsters will find themselves downtown, where special reserved parking is provided for the rest of the Grand Prix Festival. This parking not only allows drivers to showcase their special cars in the lot across from the Concours d’Elegance, but provides them a chance to wander around downtown and take in all the Friday night activities that have helped to make the Watkins Glen Grand Prix Festival so popular.

Plan on joining us next year, and be sure to sign up early – www.grandprixfestival.com/roadster.html.



Glenkhana Course All About Driving Fun

By DANIELLE HAUTANIEMI

What could be more fun than a handful of sports cars confined to a downtown parking lot, navigating traffic cones, executing “driving games of skill” and overcoming other obstacles, all against the clock? Nothing but the Hector Wine Company Glenkhana!

Drivers of skill, accompanied by their navigators of daring – and trust! – accept the challenge of the Glenkhana. After an introductory walk-through of the obstacle course, drivers are timed as they put the cars through their paces.

Drivers navigate slaloms and enter gates – forward and back – touching, but not “killing,” cones. Driving will be complicated with silly, skill-testing tasks – sometimes play-acting, drawing, answering outrageous questions – both in and out of the cars. Teams are head-to-head against the clock and each other.

Each year, the Glenkhana committee tries to incorporate themes reflecting the featured marque of the year. When Alfa

Romeo was the marque, the event included a snake (part of the marque logo), and when Porsche was featured, navigators were required to pull on a pair of oversized “boxer” shorts (reference Porsche’s famed “boxer engine”). With Triumph “at the wheel” this year, what will it take to capture the event’s top award?

Truly as much fun for spectators as participants, the Glenkhana packs an amazing amount of automotive action into a small space, with fellow enthusiasts and their beloved vehicles as the main attraction. While some drivers look forward to pitting their skills against the devious committee’s new design year after year, each year new Festival participants learn the ropes, which is all the fun. Some folks attack with speed, letting finesse take the high ground, others learn that slow and steady often wins the race.

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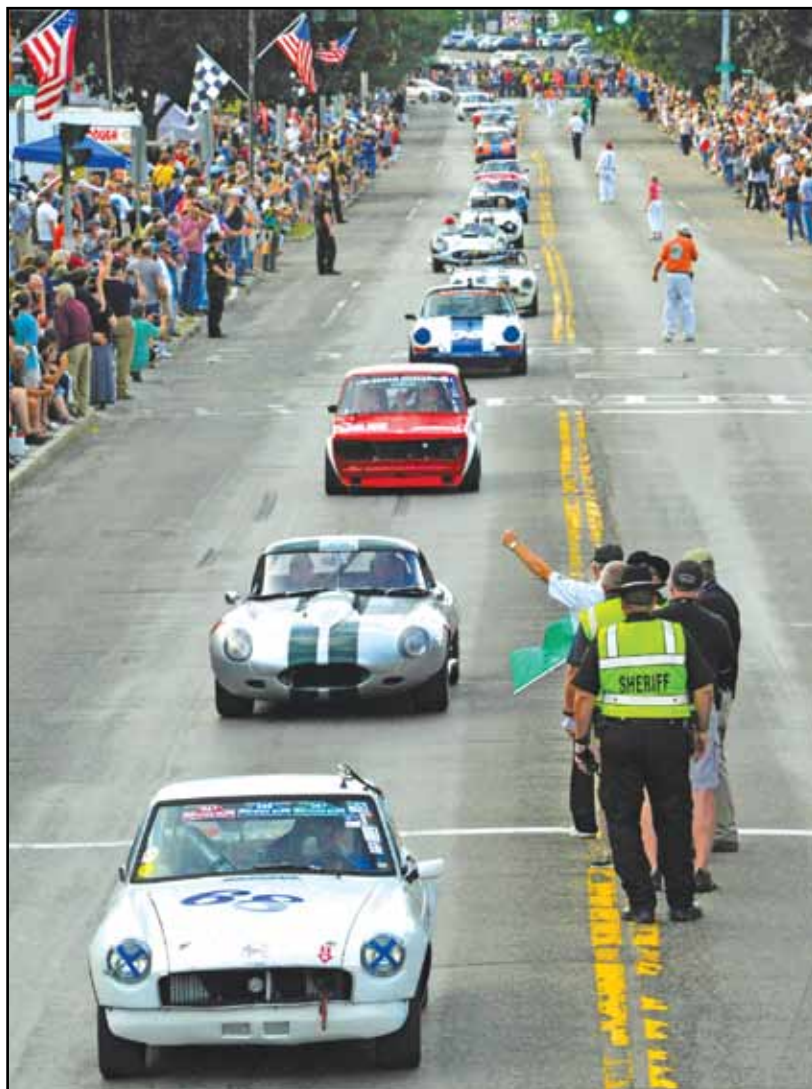
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Concorso Speciale Celebrates the ‘Ignored’

By GARY WHYMAN

If you love cars in all configurations, such as the overly appreciated right along with the underappreciated automotive orphans, and some of the downright ignored automotive jewels in the rough or not, we have the show event for you: the Community Bank Concorso Speciale.

The Concours Speciale is sponsored by our friends and neighbors at Community Bank, NA. It celebrates (Really!) the cars that are special to their proud owners regardless of the standing of the cars, or their owners, in the upper echelons of the automotive world. After all, why should Jay Leno, Dr. Fred Simeone and Ralph Lauren with their Lamborghinis, Alfa Romeos, Corvettes, Talbot-Lagos, Packards, Porsches and Cords have all the fun when there are Humber Super Snipes, Borgward Isabellas, Trabants, Hudson Jets and Subaru 360s aplenty!

As befits the seriousness of such an august event (which happens in September), judging will be performed in a completely arbitrary and capricious manner by our very own



event specialists. Their decisions are final and irreversible except through bribery. (Often of the liquid kind!)

Anyone disagreeing with the final judging should feel free to visit our sister event, the Corning Concours d’Elegance, where taste and personal integrity are far more appreciated.

This Festival event has one of the best parking lots on the main street, at the best rate going and we have fun. Fun, that’s what auto ownership and driving should be about. Fun! So we honor all arrivals, and the more ... um ... unusual, the more interest we get from the crowds! This lot is filling up faster and faster every year for just these reasons, and we hope you all will come and join our fun!

We look forward to you joining us this year and in future years (and we have photos to ensure that you will return). We encourage you to periodically visit our website www.grandprixfestival.com, where updates and pictures of our contestants will be posted throughout the upcoming year.

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Look for Triumphs in Motorcycle Rallye



The Lane's Yamaha Motorcycle Rallye is for riders and passengers on vintage, classic and stunning motorcycles of all ages. A rousing early-morning ride on hidden gems of roads, through forest and glen.

This year we've added a "tiddler tour" for smaller bikes and scooters that may have been challenged by a longer route but still want to participate in the festival. After lunch the riders make their way to the Grand Prix Festival, where the bikes will be on display all afternoon at Community Bank and in action around the original 1948 Watkins Glen road course.

While you may be at the Grand Prix Festival to see the fabulous race cars and the vintage cars of days past, take a minute to enjoy the collection of motorcycles in the Community Bank

parking lot. Their owners will be there and happy to discuss their bikes and how you, too, could take part next year, as we plan to grow the event to include yet more vintage bikes in coming years.

Classic motorcycles make a great addition to any gear-head's stable; most are still affordable, easier to work on than a vintage car and take up less storage space. Talk to our riders about how you can find a classic bike for your collection, and enjoy taking part in the Watkins Glen Grand Prix Festival. So, you have no excuses: Find a bike, grab a helmet and join the fun next year!

By KARL SMOLENSKI

This year, with the featured car marque being Triumph, the Lane's Yamaha Motorcycle Rallye has made an attempt to have a number of Triumph motorcycles on hand from both the classic and modern era.

The Triumph company started in the 1800s as a bicycle manufacturer and branched out in time to also produce both motorcycles and automobiles, with the first motorcycle produced in 1902. During the Great Depression, both the motorcycle and bicycle divisions were sold off to keep the automobile business solvent. The now-independent motorcycle company was incredibly successful for many decades, in sales, racing and style, but, like many other British manufacturers, went bankrupt in 1983. The firm was immediately purchased and reborn as the modern company it is today.

Early Friday morning, the parking lot of Lane's Yamaha north of Watkins Glen fills with the motorcycles of yesteryear: Triumph, MV Agusta, Honda, Norton ...

While the grapes are growing on the vine, the air is filled with the bark of singles and bellowing twins and perhaps a whiff of two-stroke oil. Vintage motorcycles are back for another year as part of the Watkins Glen Grand Prix Festival!

This sporting tour of the Finger Lakes and the surrounding countryside is part of the Stone Bridge Driver events.



Newman Datsun Marking 1979 Championship

By DANIEL BEVAN

On display at the Grand Prix Festival will be a very special car that was driven by a very special driver – appearing 40 years after breaking the Watkins Glen lap record on its way to winning a national championship.

The Datsun 280ZX was driven by P.L. Newman for Bob Sharp Racing and sponsored by the Budweiser Racing Team. P.L. Newman, aka Paul Newman, the actor.

Its exemplary 1979 SCCA C-Production campaign saw wins, pole positions and various broken lap records:

- May 13, Summit Point, WV: Won pole, won race.
- June 3, Watkins Glen: Won pole, won race, set new lap record.
- July 15, Brainerd, MN: Won pole, won race, set new lap record.
- Aug. 4-5, Watkins Glen: Won pole, won race.
- Aug. 18-19, Summit Point, WV: Won race.
- Sept. 3, Lime Rock Park, CT: Won pole, won race.
- Aug. 28, Road Atlanta, GA: Won race, set new lap record.



The Datsun 280ZX will be displayed at the Concours d'Elegance at Watkins Glen

State Park. Upholding the shared values of the owner, sponsor and driver, we will be giving back to the motor racing community at Watkins Glen by fundraising for the International Motor Racing Research Center.

As well as being able to see and hear the Datsun in action, limited-edition 1979 season memorabilia will be available wherever the car is present for collectors and fans alike.

Motor racing is for everyman and everywoman. And the historic moment of a 54-year-old driver taking a "Z-Car" to the SCCA title 40 years ago allows us to feel that determined American spirit that exists in every one of us.

In the words of P.L. Newman: "I just happen to think that in life we need to be a little like the farmer, who puts back into the soil what he takes out."

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We encourage you to find out, in person, what it’s like to be a Lotus owner. Stop by our lot next to the Elmira Savings Bank, and start building some lifelong friendships with a bunch of fanatics devoted to “adding lightness” and great conversation.

And if you could bring some quick dry for our oil spills, we’d be doubly appreciative to meet you!

By BRIAN VACCARO

Lotus owners often joke about the unreliability of their cars. One joke, in particular, states that a club only exists because the cars need to travel in a pack to help with the eventual breakdown. While Lotus may have earned that reputation back in the 1960s through the ’80s, today’s cars couldn’t be further from that truth. The Toyota-powered cars are as reliable as their donor cars. So, why get together in a club and attend breakfasts and other events?

It’s the people.

There’s a certain unassuming humbleness that comes from a person who chooses to buy a niche car assembled by turnip farmers in England. Most of us aren’t outwardly proud to own them, and most of us don’t discuss our Lotus-fueled addiction with non-Chapman enthusiasts. That’s not to say we don’t own a plethora of Lotus-branded clothing, because we certainly do!

But there’s something magical when a group of Lotus owners come together. The conversation always starts with the usual jokes founded on the inevitable suffering we each endure to own the cars we love so much. But, eventually, conversation turns towards camaraderie.

This camaraderie is the foundation of the Lotus Owners of New York (LOONYs) and Lotus, Ltd. We show up each weekend at an unremarkable diner, just to spend time with one another. Or we travel hours upon hours, each year, just to renew our vows of friendship at our annual national meet-up.



Alfa Romeo 2020 Grand Prix Festival Marque

By **TERRIE SAUTTER**

Sept. 11, 2020, will see Watkins Glen filled with Alfa Romeos for the annual Grand Prix Festival. In addition to Alfa being the featured marque for the Stone Bridge Driver Tour de Marque event on Friday, there will be a special daylong Alfa-only event on Thursday – the FLX Alfa Romeo Show and Trip to the Top.

All Grand Prix Festival of Watkins Glen Stone Bridge Driver events feature a minimum of two laps around the original 6.6-mile road circuit, as used from 1948-52. You can experience the thrill of coming down into the Village of Watkins Glen around famed Milliken’s Corner to the cheers of hundreds of sports car enthusiasts. Wind up Old Corn-ing Hill and pass many landmarks along the way, just as the original racers did – in your sports car!!!

The Sportscar Vintage Racing Association (SVRA) will also be featuring Alfa Romeo for the weekend races at the Hilliard United States Vintage Grand Prix at Watkins Glen International. This beautiful and accessible road course hosted many Grand Prix.

All in all, this will be a great weekend of vintage cars, events and racing and will be a great opportunity to show off our beautiful Italian cars, in a beautiful, historic setting, rich with racing history. The surrounding area offers spectacular scenery around beautiful lakes, wineries, breweries and other craft beverage and food emporiums, great museums and other cultural attractions.

Alfa Romeo Owners Club national, chapters and members are invited to join the fun and festivities and represent the vintage and recent Alfa Romeo vehicles. The Thursday Alfa to the Top event invites AROC chapters to be represented and participate in that planning.

Featured marque events always fill quickly, so be sure to check the website www.grandprixfestival.com beginning around Oct. 15, 2019, to secure your spot in “Alfa 2020.”

For Alfa-specific questions, contact “Alfisti” Terrie Sautter at alfagir156@gmail.com. For FLX Alfa Romeo Show and Journey to the Top information, contact chair Randy Olson at holtian143@hotmail.com. To register contact Carole Pierce at (607) 535-3003 or via the Festival website.

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Spring 2020 Grand Tour Registration Open

By **TERRIE SAUTTER and CARL D. BENSON**

Launch the spring driving season with an exclusive regional scenic tour and on-track driving experience in the fabulous Finger Lakes, with stops in world-famous Watkins Glen and at the Watkins Glen International racing facility. The Grist Iron Brewing Grand Tour is the region's most sought-after exclusive spring driving experience, kicking off your driving fun for the year.

This one-day event features a 120-mile fun road tour targeted at releasing the driving spirits of both driver and automobile. It originates at Grist Iron Brewing Co., 4880 Route 414, Burdett, six miles north of Watkins Glen.

The event is open to sport and classic cars exemplifying the spirit of sports car driving. The cross-country grand tour features pretty roads, great twisties, beautiful vistas, the occasional waterfall and stops to view the beautiful vistas. Three dynamic pace laps of the Watkins Glen International race track's long course enhance the day's experience. Drivers

cap the day at Grist Iron by enjoying the evening's Gears & Growlers Sports Car Rendezvous.

The original 1948 6.6-mile road course is the root of our existence!

Therefore, for your pleasure and the historic significance, drivers are given an additional route sheet for the original 1948 course. This allows them to enjoy the rich Watkins Glen history of road racing at an unscheduled pace.

Add it up: one sports car + one driver and one navigator + the Grist Iron Brewing Co. + the historic, original 6.6-mile 1948 road course + Watkins Glen International's on-track lap experience + the Finger Lakes Grist Iron Brewing Grand Tour and Gears & Growlers event + a special event dash plaque = one full day of fantastic Finger Lakes driving! How's that for memorable fun and value?

Don't wait, this event fills quickly. Register now online at www.grandprixfestival.com/Stone Bridge Drivers Events or with Carole Pierce at (607) 535-3003.

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Promotions Brings Community Together

By CAROLE PIERCE

Watkins Glen Promotions was organized in November 1993 to plan and manage quality special events in Schuyler County. Its goal was to bring visitors into the community to showcase the natural beauty and creative talents of the area. Watkins Glen Promotions also operates a storefront at 211 N. Franklin St., perfect for selling and showcasing Festival memorabilia and lots of new items.

The premier event of the season celebrates Watkins Glen's racing history. The Grand Prix Festival of Watkins Glen presented by Chemung Canal Trust Company is the annual September street festival that brings thousands of new and familiar faces to town each year in celebration of the rich road racing heritage enjoyed by the community of Watkins Glen.

The Falls Harvest Festival held the first Saturday in October on Main Street in Montour Falls, featuring hands-on activities and demonstrations, celebrates the area's agriculture and the autumn harvest. In addition to a farmer's market, the family-friendly, daylong event includes live entertainment, a children's activity zone and more.

Every town needs a Christmas celebration, and Watkins



Glen is no exception. Village Christmas is held in early December and brings together a community that enjoys celebrating its homespun roots. From handmade gifts to the greeting of neighbors and the lilting of carolers, this evening event is sure to brighten your holidays. Topped off with a parade with Santa and Mrs. Claus, it is a holiday tradition that is sure to please the whole family.

Make plans early next year to attend the Watkins Glen Waterfront Festival and Cardboard Boat Regatta, held every June at Seneca Harbor Park on the shores of Seneca Lake in downtown Watkins Glen. It is one day of food, music and activities for the entire family, highlighted by the Cardboard Boat Regatta, in which as many as 80 boats made solely of cardboard and duct tape are climbed into and rowed through the harbor. You'll marvel at the ingenuity, smile at the themes and costumes and cheer to keep your favorites from sinking into Seneca Lake.

Watkins Glen Promotions is about community – bringing the community together for events that are organized and staffed by community volunteers. Learn how you can get involved by calling (607) 535-3003 or emailing events@watkinsglen.com.

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Volunteers Crucial to Successful Festival

By JUDY PHILLIPS

Volunteers have been the key to the success of the Grand Prix Festival for the past 26 years. Throughout the year, a dedicated group of people meet on a monthly basis to plan the coming year's event.

Each of the Stone Bridge Driver events, 11 in all, relies on volunteers, not only for assistance on event day but for logistical planning throughout the year. A great way to use your creativity!

The evening before the Festival, a PreView Party is held to welcome participants and volunteers who celebrate more than 70 years of road racing in Watkins Glen. Help is needed to prepare and welcome each person to our lovely community.

Headquarters is set up in the Specchio Building on Franklin Street. Most activity is directed from this location. Volunteers can pick up their assignments, give directions to a visitor, take a golf cart to make a delivery and enjoy the excitement that racing brings to the Glen.

A great way to interact with our visitors is to work in the retail trailers. Two trailers are located on Franklin Street throughout the Festival. For the really adventurous, one trailer is taken to Watkins Glen International on Saturday and Sunday to promote our memorabilia during the Hilliard U.S. Vintage Grand Prix at the Glen SVRA races.



One of the most interesting jobs is that of runner. You work out of headquarters and help keep things moving. Working out of headquarters and being a runner is never boring.

Throughout the day, different Stone Bridge Driver groups drive laps around the Old Course. Volunteers are needed for crowd control and helping to direct the groups' traffic.

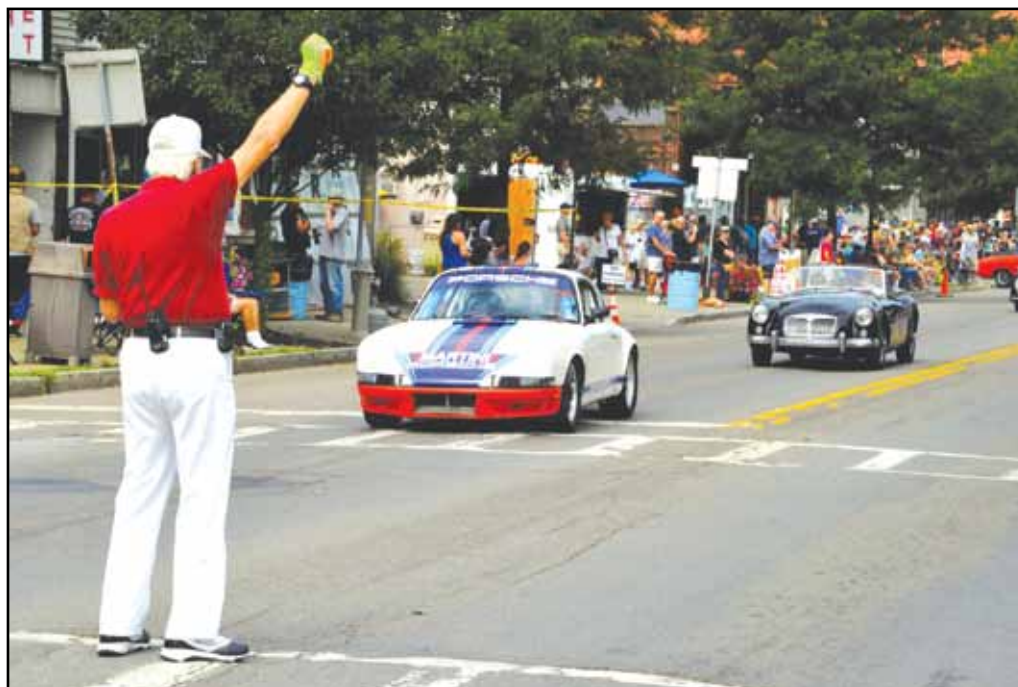
The peak of excitement comes when the race cars come down from WGI and queue up on Franklin Street for the

iconic "Drivers, start your engines!" The noise and smells take us back to those memorable days of 1948. What a very special time!

From set up to clean up, a long list of tasks requires a long list of volunteers.

Please help us continue to provide an outstanding experience for everyone, including our valued volunteers, who treasure the road racing history and traditions of Watkins Glen.

Contact us at Watkins Glen Promotions by phone at (607) 535-3003 or through our website at www.grandprixfestival.com.

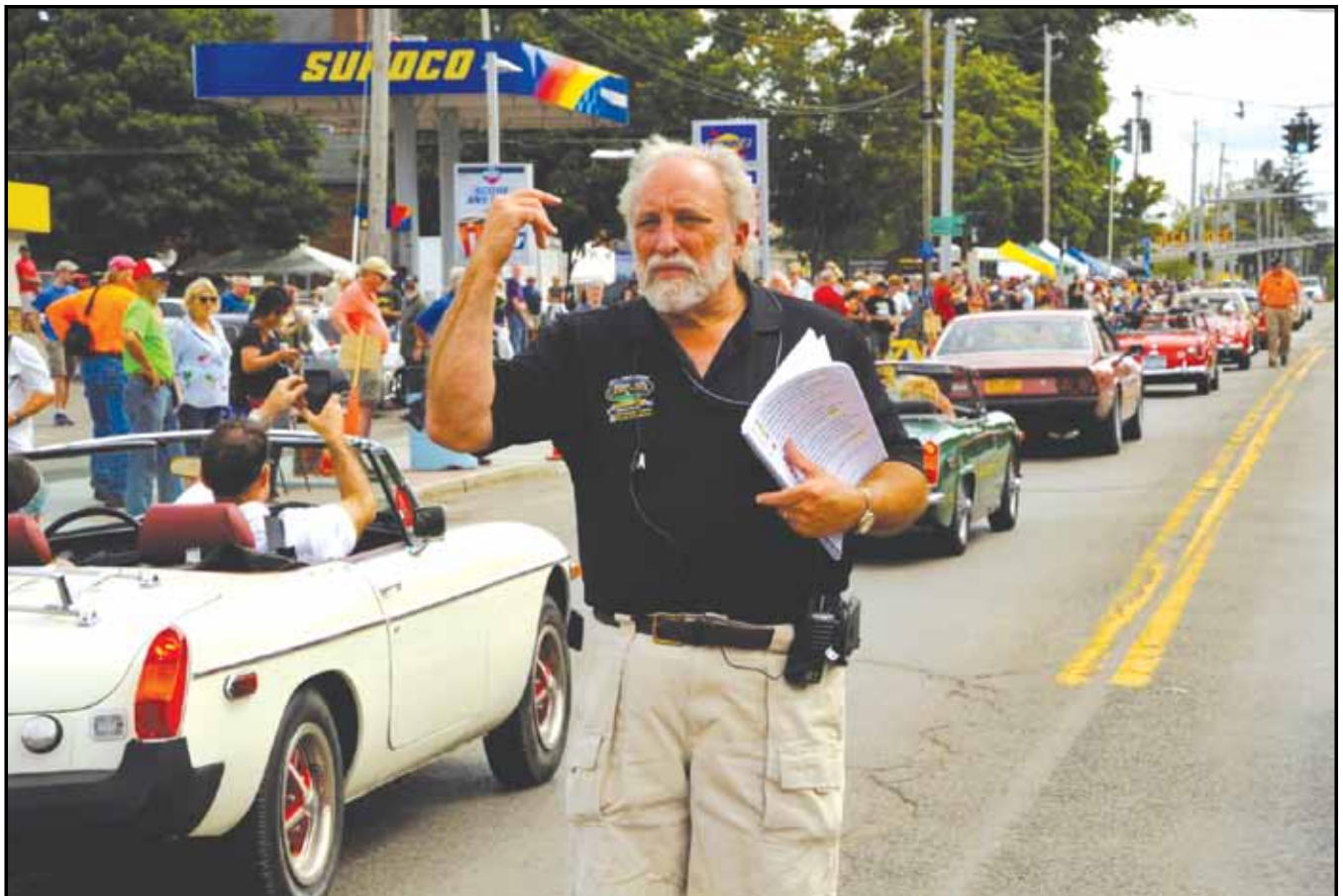


Festival Begins with Dedicated Committee

A committee of volunteers works year-round to organize the Grand Prix Festival. It's a true labor of love for these folks who appreciate the history of racing in Watkins Glen and who admire the machines driven by the men and women who lived that history and who enjoy their cars today.

- Watkins Glen Promotions Office – Carole Pierce
- Festival Management Team Leader – Marianne Marts
- Volunteer Recruitment – Judy Phillips
- Headquarters Chair – Tom Phillips
- Festival Marketing and Sponsorship – Tom Seem
- SVRA Race Tribute – Tony Parella
- Festival Logistics – Tony Fraboni and Steve Klemann
- Festival Traffic – Elizabeth Thiel
- Smalley's Garage – Denny Cornett Jr. and Joe Place
- Stone Bridge Driver Events – Casey Creamer
- Corning Concours d'Elegance – David Wild and Jeff Kath
- Community Bank Concorso Speciale – Gary Whyman and Mark Costa
- Glenora Run – Terrie Sautter

- Grist Iron Brewing Grand Tour – Terrie Sautter
- LOONY Lotus Rendezvous sponsored by Lotus of Western NY – Tony Vaccaro
- Chateau LaFayette Reneau Founders' Tour – Carl Benson
- Knapp Sporting Roadster Tour – Eric Navestad
- WGI Tour de Marque – Bruce Coulombe
- Lane's Yamaha Vintage Motorcycle Rallye – Karl Smolenski
- Hector Wine Company Glenkhana – Danielle Hautaniemi
- FLX Triumph Show and Trip to the Top – Randy Olson
- The Legends Speak – Dave Ward and Kip Zeiter
- Drivers Walk of Fame – Jim Scaptura
- Historic Accuracy and Festival Photography – Bill Green
- Festival Program – Schuyler County Hi-Lites, Glenda Gephart
- Merchandise – Judy Phillips and Dena Carrigan
- Website – Eric Navestad
- Photography Club – Richard Bauman





Festival Schedule

- 9:30 a.m. ~ Tech Inspection, Smalley's Garage, Franklin Street
- 10:00 a.m. ~ Corning Concours d'Elegance begins, Watkins Glen State Park lot
 - ~ Memorabilia booths open on Franklin Street
 - ~ Community Bank Concorso Speciale, Community Bank parking lot
- 10:30 a.m. ~ Hector Wine Company Glenkhana begins at Watkins Glen State Park parking lot
- 11:00 a.m. ~ Glenora Run cars do the "Montour Mile"
- Noon ~ Drivers Walk of Fame Induction Ceremonies, Court House Lawn
 - ~ Wine Tastings and Food Court open, Court House Lawn
 - ~ 5th through 10th streets closed between Franklin and Decatur streets
- 1:00 p.m. ~ Franklin Street closed, between 2nd and 10th streets
- 1:00 p.m. ~ Stone Bridge Drivers rally events start their Cayuga Health System Laps of the Old Course
- 1:30 p.m. ~ Lane's Yamaha Vintage Motorcycles and Community Bank Concorso Speciale on display at Community Bank
- 2:00 p.m. ~ Tour de Marque Triumphs parked for display at Lafayette Park, 4th Street
- 3:00 p.m. ~ The Legends Speak, Lafayette Park, 4th Street
- 4:45 p.m. ~ SVRA vintage race cars arrive on Franklin Street
- 5:00 p.m. ~ Corning Concours d'Elegance Awards Ceremony, original Start/Finish Line
- 5:35 p.m. ~ "Pre-Race" Ceremonies, original Start/Finish Line
- 6:00 p.m. ~ Original 6.6-mile course closed to traffic through 7:30 p.m.
- 6:10 p.m. ~ Watkins Glen Heritage Tour Parade laps
- 6:30 p.m. ~ Watkins Glen Grand Prix Race Tribute begins
- 8:00 p.m. ~ Franklin Street re-opens

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