

FEBRUARY-2019 FLAT ROCK/TOLEDO SPEEDWAY BULLETIN (2-26-19)

The winter office for both tracks is at the Toledo Speedway Automotive Building on the east end of the grounds; phone number, 419-727-1100 and mailing address remain the same. *Scott's email has also changed; sschultz@marcumracing.com.

RACER INFO. TAB: There is now a Racer Information tab on each of the track's homepages. This is where you will find everything pertaining to you---memberships, schedules, entry forms, W-9 form, rules, bulletins, etc.

MEMBERSHIP FORMS: Cost remains same as 2018.

SCHEDULE UPDATES: Both schedules have been updated on the web pages. Minor changes;*There will be NO Friday practice April 19 at Toledo for the April 20 show. This is in an effort to reduce time at the track and save finances for teams. *A non-point Street Stock race has been added to Toledo's 60th Anniversary show August 10. We have added race sponsors and promotions to each schedule also in the updated versions.

2019 TIME SAVER SCHEDULE; FLAT ROCK AND TOLEDO SPEEDWAYS

As discussed at the last few driver's meetings in 2018, an effort to save everyone some time on most race days will be implemented for our "weekly" race shows at both tracks.

*When we are running extra laps for a class or classes (special events), we will have a bit more practice time and single car qualifying (in most cases). We post the race night schedules each week in the next race box on both track home pages.

FLAT ROCK

Pit gates: 4 p.m. Practice: 5:30 Drivers meeting: 6:30 Racing: 7 p.m.

TOLEDO

Pit gates: 5 p.m. Practice: 6:15 Drivers meeting: 7 p.m. Racing: 7:30 p.m.

The first set of hot laps will be as usual. The second set of hot laps will be 4 laps each, 4-5 cars at a time. ****YOUR BEST LAP IN THE SECOND SET WILL BE YOUR QUALIFYING TIME FOR THE NIGHT.** On most nights for the past couple of years, we have completed 2 sets of hot laps for each class in about 1 hour. We may have to tweak the format a bit, but this is a start.

We are basically cutting out about 4 laps of practice and sitting through all single car qualifying, while 50 fans (your family members) watch! We all lead busy lives....We're just making it a little less time-consuming. **It will be very important for you to arrive at the track with enough time to be ready for this schedule

FLAT ROCK PRE-SEASON PRACTICE DAY ADDED: We have added a practice day at Flat Rock. It will be Saturday, April 13 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. **With the addition of the Sunday, April 28 show at the track, we expect the Saturday, April 27 practice to be very busy as several CRA/Jeg's Series teams and ICAR Modified teams are expected to practice for their show the next day. April 13 will give you another day of practice.....we also have the Wednesday, May 1 practice on the schedule.

SPONSORS: We are very pleased to have **Moran Chevrolet, Victory Lane Quick Oil Change, DTS Drive Train Specialists as the Flat Rock Late Model, Figure 8 and Street Stock title sponsors** respectively. **R & M Recycling** returns as the Late Model Sportsman Silver Cup Sponsor, **The Vault Antiques and Treasures** is the new sponsor for both the Enduro and Factory Stocks,

while **Moran Chevrolet, DTS Drive Train Specialists, Dani's Transport, Francis Engineering and Royal Truck and Trailer Sales** return as Gold Cup Series sponsors as of today. Additional sponsors will be announced when secured. We continue to search for a Late Model Sportsman division sponsor.....

ENDURO ENTRY BLANKS and the ARCA Late Model Gold Cup entry blanks will be mailed in mid-March. **We will only do 1 mailing for the season. All entries after the mailing can be downloaded from the web page.

***POCKET SCHEDULES** should be ready by March 20...

Souvenir program, car numbers: IF you need a car number, call us to get one. The driver rosters for the program deadline is March 12. We have about 3 spots open in the program for advertisements as of today. If interested, give us a call. If you refer someone, we'll kick you back 15% in commission! We also have some signage open at both tracks and race night sponsorships also...again, refer someone, we'll cut the deal and pay you 15%..thank you!

The 2-sided LED message board for the Flat Rock Telegraph Road marquee' is scheduled to be installed as soon as the weather breaks. We have the electrical service ready, just need that break in the weather!

FLAT ROCK PAD RENTALS: The form is now posted. We have received a large amount of requests from new teams....**deadline is April 1 for renewal.** You may fill out the form and send the payment if you are a new team...this puts you on the list for a pad. IF you do not renew by April 1, your pad may be assigned to someone else! Cost is same as 2018, **and if paid by April 1, you save \$50 and also receive a free pit pass to one of the practice days.....MARK IT DOWN. We are NOT mailing the form.**

FLAT ROCK/TOLEDO BANQUET is Friday, November 1 at the Crystal Gardens in Southgate.

LATE MODEL GOLD CUP RACES: Due to the increasing amount of ticket and concession sales being purchased by fans on race night, checks will be given out on race night for the ARCA Late Model Gold Cup events. This is a practice that is becoming more frequent at tracks, and we will now put this procedure in place for the Gold Cup races only for 2019.

NOVI HOT ROD and EXPO SHOW: The tracks have purchased enough floor space to display each of the 2018 champion's cars at the show, April 6-7. The champions have been contacted; if they decline, we will call the 2nd place team. The location is the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi right off of I-96. **We will also take part in the annual Bedford Trade Fair at Bedford High School March 9-10, and we will also be at the Super Fitness Customer Appreciation Day in Toledo on March 10.

FUEL SPONSORS: Corrigan Race Fuels at Flat Rock and Bazell Race Fuels at Toledo will be the Sunoco Race fuel suppliers again for 2019. A \$50 cash bonus program through a random draw for each race event will continue this season, as well as the cash bonus program for the top 2 fuel purchasers for the season in the Late Model, Figure 8, Street Stock and Late Model Sportsman classes. Sunoco decals must be on the car to collect the bonuses. We do not have pricing as of today...

D800 TIRES: We anticipate the arrival of tires the first week of April. The Hoosier D800 tire is now permitted for the Late Model Sportsman, Figure 8, Street Stock and Enduro/Factory Stock classes in 2019. ****Please note that the 10430 and 10435 D800 tires are the tires that are legal...no other D800 designated tires.** Tires must be purchased through the tracks...The 10430 D800 26.5-15 tire chalk marks are from 84.5 to 85.5. The 10435 D800 27.0-15 tire chalk marks are 85.25 to 86.25. The Hoosier 880 tires will still be legal for competition in 2018. We do not have pricing yet.

FIGURE 8 TIRE MOUNTING NOTE!!!! Per Hoosier, the D800 tires for Figure 8 racing must be mounted with the DATE TIN facing towards the center of the car.

Special event tickets will go on sale for both tracks March 6. The order form will be on both web pages.

****The 2 tracks will flip nights for 1 weekend only;** Flat Rock will run Friday, August 9 with the Enduro, F8 and SS...Saturday, August 10 is the 60th Anniversary Celebration of Toledo...more details soon!

LATE MODEL GOLD CUP SERIES: Dates are: Toledo, Saturday, April 20-100 laps; Saturday, May 25-Flat Rock, Joy Fair 100; Saturday, June 22-Flat Rock Level Pebble 200 (75 laps now goes to 100 laps); Saturday, July 20-Flat Rock Stan Yee 150 (co-sanction with Main Event); Saturday, August 10-Toledo (co-sanction with Main Event)--(60th Anniversary Celebration); and the Toledo Glass City 200 event (100 laps) September 21 and becomes a Gold Cup point race

BANDOLERO NEWS: We are committed to making the Bandolero class work at Flat Rock. We have again scheduled 8 dates in 2019 for the class, which features purpose-built race cars for ages 8-14. *We are having an engine installed in our car and we will be conducting test drives in the spring...**If you are looking for a car, go to www.spartanspeedway.com or call us at the office.**

SATURDAY, APRIL 6 IS THE DATE for the 2nd annual Equipment Auction and Race Car and Parts Auction at Flat Rock Speedway. More details later...

***The Flat Rock track office** will open the first week of April on a daily basis...more exact time will be announced soon.

Next bulletin will be in late March....get your car ready for one of the practice days, get through tech, get some laps, memberships, tires and fuel and be ready for the season. This winter needs to go away!