

JULY 2016 STRAIGHT AWAY NEWS

We have SALT!! It is almost time for our 68th Annual SPEEDWEEK event!

Our Survey, Course Selection and Race Surface Team, headed by Race Director Bill Lattin and BNI Chairman Pat McDowell, have been to the salt and were able to find 3 courses:

The Long Course.....8 to 9 miles

The Short Course.....5 miles

The Rookie Course.....3 miles

The SCTA is confident that the courses are all good and have SALT all the way down!
FINALLY.....SOME GOOD NEWS!

After 2 years of heavy rains, our traditional Long Course (#1) is not suitable for racing at this time. It is our opinion that the increased thickness of the salt is a direct result of five hundred thousand tons of salt from the Salt Return Project by Intrepid Mining.

We will be praying to the Race Gods and Mother Nature for their cooperation, as well.

In order to offset our insurance costs, all required participants and crews armbands will be sold for \$5 each (drivers excluded) The primary driver for any entry is included in the entry fee, however, any additional drivers will be charged a \$150 additional driver fee. Yes - we are struggling to recoup our significant losses over the last 2 years.

Please note the attached BLM Special Use Recreation Permit Stipulations, and comply with that guidance. There is no camping permitted anywhere on the salt. The pits close by 8:00 pm. The ever-popular "Bend in the Road" camping area as well as other local overnight sites continue to be available but should be respected and treated as public park areas subject to the rules and expected conduct of the attached BLM facility use stipulations. Please respect those rules. The BNI will again provide trash containers and porta-potties. Please make use of both and keep the areas neat and clean. If you have any questions about the procedures and regulations, do not hesitate to ask any of the BNI personnel. Our permits depend on our compliance to the conditions imposed by the use permit, so please help us meet those requirements.

The BNI Board has been coordinating with folks in Wendover to make SpeedWeek a success. Many local businesses have adjusted their schedules to accommodate our needs. The support and welcome provided has been impressive. Please show them your respect in helping our SpeedWeek become the best ever amateur racing event.

Included in this newsletter is a 2016 SpeedWeek Schedule, the BLM Stipulations, a layout map and our 2-page SpeedWeek general information sheet.

We look forward to seeing you on the SALT next month.

Bill Lattin - SCTA President/Race Director
Pat McDowell - BNI Chairman

SPEEDWEEK 2016 INFORMATION

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GASOLINE - The event gasoline is E.R.C. and it must be used by all participants running in gas classes for all segments of all record runs. Vehicles shall arrive at the fuel truck empty and all fuel tanks will be checked at impound and at random points along return roads. Please cooperate with officials. Vehicles arriving in impound with unsealed tanks will be disqualified.

IMPOUND - The impound area is in the pits adjacent to where the technical inspections are conducted. If any vehicle has qualified to make the second segment of a record run the next morning by exceeding the existing record, the vehicle and timing slip MUST be taken directly to the impound area within one hour of the qualification run. Check in to impound, by presenting your timing slip to the impound officer, who will note your arrival time and attach the slip to a "Record Certification Card." There is a time limit of up to four hours for working on your race vehicle while in the impound area. However, the work done must comply with the current rules. Your time limit begins when you check in. If the race vehicle successfully sets a new record as a result of a second segment performance (morning run), it must be taken within one hour to the certification area (at the technical inspection lanes) for engine measurement, body certification and record certification. Give the certification officer your timing slip to note the arrival time and speeds.

PIT AREA - Only vehicles with an official "Crew" pass on the windshield are allowed in the pit area and on course access roads. "Go Karts" and other such vehicles are prohibited in the pits. Anyone driving in the pit area must be a licensed driver. Do not allow your children to ride around in the pits. Vending of any merchandise other than your own entry T-shirt is by previously approved permit only. You may sign up to sell merchandise in the "Vendor Area", contact Registration.

EMERGENCIES - If a driver remains on the course, or turns towards the depicted course "Emergency Area," it will be assumed by race officials that there is a problem. Emergency personnel will render immediate

assistance. If a driver thinks the vehicle has left parts on the course (blown engine, tire failure etc.) he should turn into the emergency area and immediately notify officials. This is the only way we know to stop vehicles and sweep the course before another race vehicle is released.

BRIEFINGS - All drivers and crew members must attend an event briefing at 9 am on Saturday, adjacent to the starting lines between Course 1 and 2. Rookie driver and crew orientation will immediately follow on the designated course. Rookies and crew **MUST** bring a vehicle with a CB Radio for Rookie Orientation. Race vehicles may proceed to staging lanes anytime on Saturday.

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STAGING - Race vehicles may be left in the staging lanes overnight to retain position in line, unless otherwise instructed.

FLUIDS - A plastic tarp must be placed under each race vehicle in the pit stall to prevent leakage onto the salt. It is each entrant's responsibility to see that all fluids other than clear water are placed in a suitable container and taken from the salt. There are provisions for dumping oil and antifreeze at the Safety Kleen truck in the Vendor area adjacent to the Impound area. Anyone dumping oil into toilets will be barred from racing and ejected from the event.

PARKING - Please obey the signs and **Do Not Park** in the technical inspection area or in front of the sales trailer. After you have completed your inspection, take your race vehicle to your pit and return to complete the registration process.

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Speed Week Schedule

August 13th – 19th, 2016

(Times shown are Mountain Time; Utah)

Thursday, August 11th

7:00 am	Pits open for setup
10:00 am	Fuel Truck opens
10:00 am to 5:00 pm	Inspection and Registration
8:00 pm	Salt closed

Friday, August 12th

7:00 am	Pits open for setup.
9:00 am	Fuel truck opens
8:00 am to 5:00 pm	Inspection and Registration
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Saturday, August 13th

7:00 am	Salt opens, Lineup opens.
8:30 am	Course Stewards meeting at tower.
9:00 am	Drivers meeting (all drivers/riders, crew) at Course 1/ 2 starting line. Rookie Orientation to follow (all NEW drivers/riders and crews must attend)
10:00 am	(+/-) Racing begins!
7:00 pm	Racing ends
8:00 pm	Salt closed

Sunday - Thursday, August 14th – 18th

6:00 am	Salt opens. (Upon arrival of the impound monitor)
7:00 am	Record Return runs on all courses will begin. Qualifying will begin on all courses immediately following Record Return runs.
7:00 pm	Racing ends.
8:00 pm	Salt closed

Friday, August 19th

On this, OR the last day of racing, Record Return runs will be on the same day.

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**Speed Week
Bonneville Salt Flats
Stipulations**

No person shall...

1. Discharge firearms, fireworks or other dangerous weapons.
2. Camp or overnight. Bonneville is a day-use area only.
3. Operate and/or land a fixed wing aircraft.
4. Possess any glass containers outside of enclosed vehicles, camp trailers or tents.
5. Ignite a fire or any accelerant including, but not limited to potentially hazardous materials, gasoline, oil, plastic, or magnesium.
6. Operate a motor vehicle in excess of the posted speed limit within the SRMA. Where there is no posted speed limit the speed limit is 45.
7. Operate a motor vehicle in excess of 15 M.P.H within 50 feet of people, animals, or vehicles.
8. Operate or use any noise producing device, or motorized equipment between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. in a manner that makes unreasonable noise that disturbs other visitors.
9. Bring an animal (unless it is a working animal) into the area unless the animal is on a leash not longer than 6 feet and secured to a fixed object or under control of a person, or is otherwise physically restricted at all times.
10. Purchase, possess or consume any alcoholic beverages while under the age of 21.
 - a) Misrepresent their age for the purposes of purchasing alcoholic beverages
 - b) Consume an alcoholic beverage while operating a motor vehicle, as a passenger in or on a motor vehicle, whether the vehicle is moving, stopped, or parked
 - c) Keep, carry, possess, transport, or allow another to keep, carry, possess or transport in the passenger compartment of a motor vehicle, when the vehicle is within the SRMA, any container which contains an alcoholic beverage that the seal has been broken, or the contents of the container has been partially consumed.
11. Allow another person to, violate the State of Utah's Off Highway Vehicle (OHV) statutes, to include, but not limited to:
 - a) Operating an OHV without a current UT OHV registration, temporary UT OHV registration or reciprocal state registration for out of state vehicles.
 - b) Operate an OHV without wearing a safety helmet while under the age of 18.
 - c) Operate an OHV under the age of 16, or without a valid driver's license from the state that person currently resides, without direct supervision of an adult (of 18 years of age or older). Direct supervision includes being within 300 feet of the person operating the OHV and being able to maintain visual and audio contact with the operator.

For more information visit our websites:

<http://www.blm.gov/ut>

<http://www.scta-bnj.org>

2016 BNI Speed Week Notional 3 Course Layout

