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INTERNATIONAL RACEWAYS
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Preserving the memories and history of Meadowdale Raceways will keep the track alive for generations to come.

Walk what remains of the track — you can still hear the race cars roaring in the distance. Turn around quickly enough... you just might get a glimpse into the past!

Meadowdale International Raceways Preservation Association (MIRPA) is dedicated to the preservation and promotion of the history of Meadowdale International Raceways as well as the many racing teams, drivers and venues across the country.

MIRPA hosts events throughout the year including the Meadowdale, Motorsports & Memories Car Show, which is held on the old straight-away every September, an Annual Winter Banquet, a monthly Coffee & Cars gathering and special members only events.

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Raceway Woods, home to Meadowdale International Raceway, is accessible from Route 31 or Huntley Road in Carpentersville, Illinois. The preserve, which is managed through the cooperative efforts of the Forest Preserve District of Kane County, Dundee Township and Dundee Township Park District, is available year-round for hiking, bicycling, and horseback riding.



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Meadowdale International Raceway

... the vision of Leonard W. Besinger, was built in 1958 to promote growth in the Carpentersville area, 40 miles northwest of Chicago. The track was 3.27 miles long with a variety of turns and elevation changes. Its signature feature was the Monza wall, a 180 degree steeply banked turn that led on to the 4,000 foot main straight. With just 6 months from permit to completion, the inaugural race was held September 13-14, 1958.

Racers from across the country arrived to drive the new track. The Midwest was introduced to the custom built Scarab racing sports cars, when Chuck Daigh and Lance Reventlow left most of the 35 car field behind to finish first and second.

Meadowdale hosted major spectator road races from many sanctioning bodies including: USAC, Midwestern Council, SCCA, AMA, USRRC, NHRA, karts, bicycles and even snowmobiles. Police training, new car introductions and local club events were also held there. The last major event at Meadowdale, prior to its closing in 1969, was an SCCA Trans-Am race held on July 6-7, 1968.

Meadowdale Raceways showcased the early years of many a car, driver and race team including:

- Tony Adamowicz
- Tony Bettenhausen
- Tony DeLorenzo
- Mark Donohue
- George Follmer
- Paul Goldsmith
- Carl Haas
- Harry Heuer
- Jim Jeffords
- Fred Lorenzen
- Gary Nixon
- Augie Pabst
- Roger Penske
- Sam Posey
- Jim Rathmann
- Lance Reventlow
- Peter Revson
- Ricardo Rodriguez
- Lloyd Ruby
- Curtis Turner
- Al Unser
- Bobby Unser
- Roger Ward
- Meister Brauser Team
- Nickey Chevrolet Racing Team



(1) Harry Heuer reunited with his Bocar at our car show.
(2) Al Unser Jr. entertains fans at a local Race Shop tour.
(3) Special Members Only event with Bobby Rahal at Autobahn Country Club.



MIRPA collects and protects memorabilia such as the vintage photos shown above.