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CORVAIR RACER **UPDATE**

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CORVAIR ALLEY NEWS, by Rick Norris



Rick Sez:

This is the last issue before the Mitty so the issue with the Mitty report may be a bit late as we will be traveling back on Monday and I may be too tired to get it out on time Monday but we'll see how it all shakes out.

I'm really looking forward to this first race of the season, at least for me as I haven't had a tire on the pavement at Road Atlanta in two years. I always will think of this track as my "home track" as it's where I ran my very first vintage road race with the Sunoco Corvair back in 2009 at the Mitty, the same year I received my comp license. I certainly have more laps here than any other track I run. The Mitty is also one of the oldest vintage road race events and it's always a real circus. The Ragged Red car will get it first time on this track also. Who knows, I might even beat my best lap time here. The car is faster but the driver is fatter...how'd that happen??

We'll arrive there Wednesday as is our tradition but this time I will not be running the test and tune on Thursday. However Jeff Rapp will as he is a novice here and it's not only required but a good plan to do so. It certainly was for me as I remember how intimidating the place appeared the first time.

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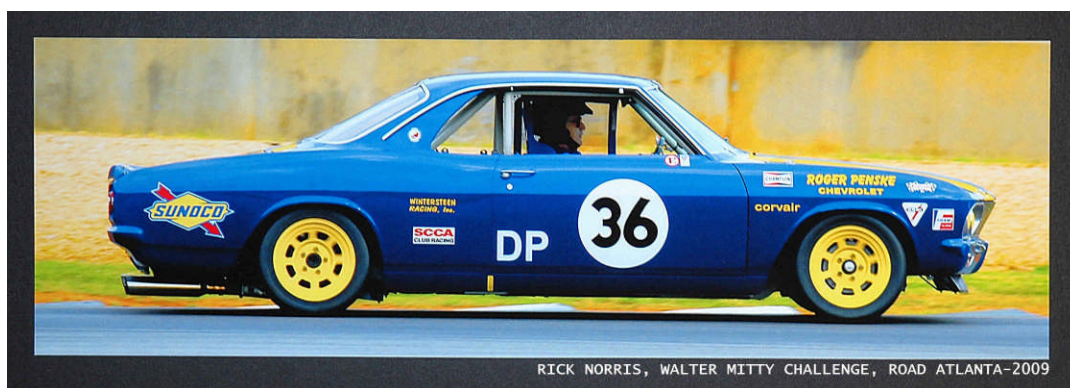
Newly updated entry list:

<http://hsrace.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/Mitty-Post-List-4.10.pdf>

For the latest entry list go here:

<http://hsrace.com/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/Provisional-Schedule-3.27.17.pdf>

Looking at the latest entry list I see we now have 36 in Group 2 and out of that there are 20 in VP3 which is us. If they throw another group out there with us which they usually do it's going to be crowded. The best thing to do is hope you can qualify well then you start way ahead of the others. I learned a lesson here on qualifying. You need to get some good laps in during the qualifying runs. If you do not they will take you best practice lap time to position you but it will be behind those who ran the qualifying sessions even if you had a faster lap. There is not enough time in a 20 minute race to catch and pass those slower cars to get a good finish. The upside of that is you get to have fun passing all those cars but you stand a good chance of being lapped by the fast guys. Been there, done that!



The Sunoco Corvair: Notice the open face helmet. No HANS. I was trying to be "old school".



The Ragged Red Racer: Full face helmet, HANS and onboard fire extinguisher system.

This year's Mitty will see a newly minted Corvair racer, Jeff Rapp in his "new" red Corvair race car.



Unless an unknown late entry shows up it will be the "Three Musketeers" as it were running in the Group 2, VP3 class for the 40th Mitty.



Of course in the ground pounder ranks the ever popular Mike Levine will be harassing the Porch Pilots in Group 5, VASR with his 1965 Crown Corvaair.



This has got to be one of the greatest racing photo's out there!

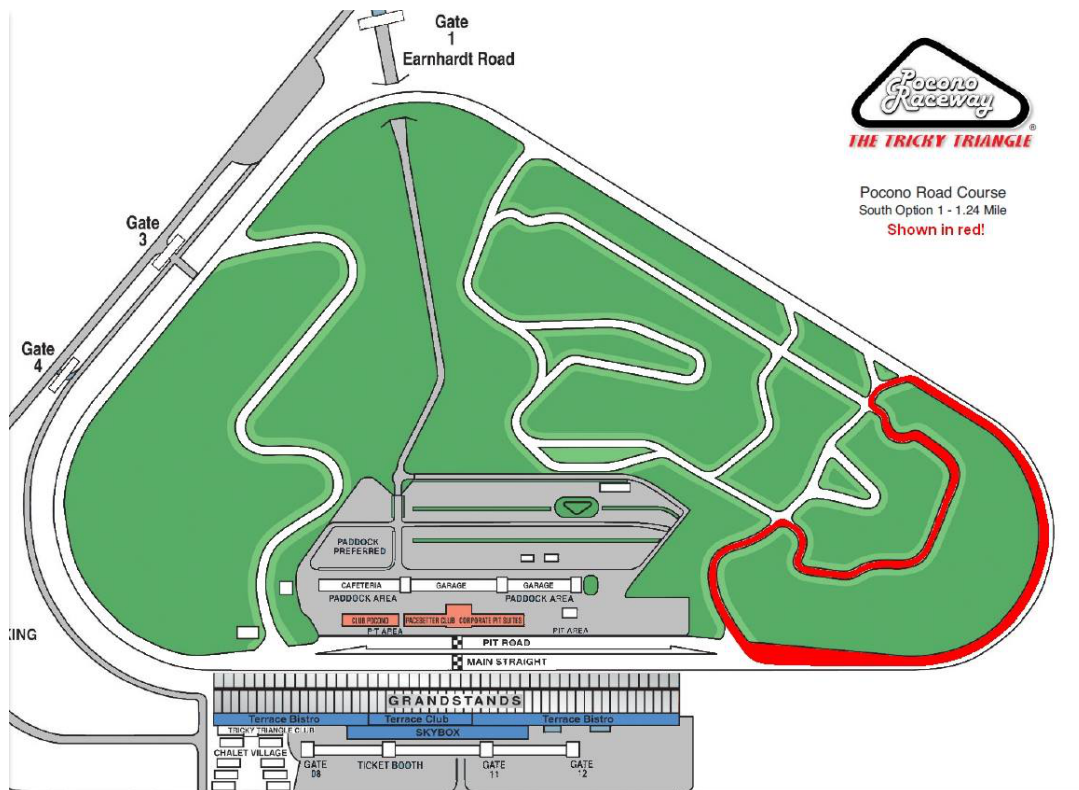


If you are not a road racer but like to run time trial track events this is for you. If you are a road racer this is a great place for a test and tune. The prices are hard to beat.

NECC - the Northeast Corvair Council / NECC Motorsports

We are very happy to announce we have secured a date to run the South Road Course at Pocono Raceway! The date is Sunday July 16, 2017.

In years past, we ran other road courses at Pocono, but we are excited to be on the South Course for the first time. The infield portion is all newly paved, 40 feet wide, and will challenge us with esses, sweepers, and compound turns until it spits us onto the end of the main straight. Then you're looking at Pocono's famous NASCAR turn #1, with its 14 degree banking, about as much as the other 2 turns in the Tri Oval combined. Attached is a jpeg showing the track layout.



REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN AT www.neccmotorsports.com

We are offering our full High Performance Driving option consisting of open track sessions from all day with timed laps midafternoon. Price: a mere \$250 per driver. In addition, we are also offering two fifteen-minute "Taste of the Track" lapping sessions for \$75 per driver.

We are also doing the same kind of event at New York Safety Track this year on June 23. Same low prices. Sign up for both!

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Back in 2009 I was fortunate to be a part of this illustrious group of “young” guys!

As I have said before it was my very first genuine road race at the storied very famous Road Atlanta track, a very intimidating place for a “newbie” driver such as me. I do not remember who made the suggestion to get a poster made with all our cars on it but it’s proved to be a popular item and has become a tradition at other significant events for us.

