



ST JOHNS GRAND PRIX

SPECIFIC INFORMATION FOR DRIVERS St. Johns Grand Prix September 1-4, 2006

The following information is provided to help racers new to the ASA St. Johns Grand Prix.

TRAVEL: St. Johns Arizona is in the mid eastern section of the state, 50 miles south of I-40 and 50 miles west of the Arizona-New Mexico border. There are two ways to get to the Airpark from the west.

1. Take Interstate 40 across Arizona to Holbrook. Turn south in Holbrook and take the route to St. Johns.
2. From Phoenix, take Fwy 60 to Rte 87 and turn north to Payson. From Payson go to Heber and turn northeast to Rte 277 to Snowflake. Continue to Concho then to St. Johns. **There is a very nice Mobil station just before you reach Snowflake at the bottom of Temple hill that is a sponsor. The station has gas and diesel fuel, good restrooms and a plethora of food, drinks and snacks. It is the official diesel station for the St. Johns Grand Prix.**
3. Distance from Phoenix to St. Johns is 200 miles through Payson and 250 miles going to Flagstaff and using I-40 through Holbrook. The I-40 route is all freeway except the last segment from Holbrook.
4. Consult your road maps for final directions. We do not recommend going through Show Low, so make sure you turn northeast at Heber.
5. For those staying at Springerville, you will be 25 miles south of St. Johns.

ACCOMODATIONS: This is a rural city of 3,500 population. It is in the White Mountains of Arizona. There are a lot of outdoors activities in the area during the summer and winter. The St. Johns Grand Prix is the largest single event annually. There are a lot of hotels within 50 miles.

1. The St. Johns hotels are full but you can try for a cancellation. Days Inn 928-337-4422 or Budget Inn 928-337-2990. Otherwise you will have to go 25 miles to Springerville. You can call the Springerville Chamber of Commerce for recommendations at 928-333-2123.
2. The second choice is to bring a RV and it may be placed in the Cruise America RV Village next to the paddock & track at no cost. Water is available to fill tanks. Sewer is available for dumping across the airpark at the Rodeo grounds. Showers are there as well.
3. The third choice is to rent a cabin or Yurt at Lyman Lake State Park, 12 miles from the track. You may call them at 928-337-3393.

4. You may try the following Springerville (25 miles) hotels: Best Western 928-333-2540; El Jo Motor Inn 928-333-4314; Reeds Lodge 928-333-4323; Rode Inn and Suites 928-333-4365; Super 8 928-333-2655.
5. The Honda Resort and Casino (50 miles) is a nice place at 928-369-0299.
6. A good choice is to rent a RV from Cruise America. You can either pick it up in the Phoenix area or have them deliver it to the Cruise America Village at the Airpark in St. Johns. The Cruise America Village is right next to the paddock. Information on renting a Cruise America RV for the event is shown below. Make sure you use the rate code **PASS** when you call them.
7. **Save money when you rent a Cruise America RV. Hotels will cost at least \$300 for a person. With Cruise America you can be next to the paddock at less than \$200 per person for 4-5 nights.**

RACE PREPARATION: You will be at 6000 ft. elevation on a high plain. On hot days the air density can be over 8000 ft. elevation. THE AIR IS LIGHT AND DRY.

1. **Carburetor:** Jetting is normally 2-6 sizes smaller than what you run now. Check with your carburetor supplier to get the right jets. Note: if you run lean, you will run hot!
2. **Cooling:** Make sure that your radiator is good and is shrouded to bring as much air as possible in through it. Same for brakes, tranny cooler and diff cooler. Do not run antifreeze in the radiator. Antifreeze reduces the thermal conductivity of the coolant. We recommend straight water.
3. **Tires:** This track will not chew up tires unless your setup is off.
4. **Schedule:** We run by a schedule and are not normally off schedule. Your final schedule will be in your registration packet when you arrive.
5. **Paddock Parking:** ASA Speed Trucks will be parked on the North Taxiway. All others will be paddocked on the airplane ramp.
6. **Schedule:** The track is open for setup Thursday Evening and all day Friday. Late arrivals may come in until 9am Saturday morning.

Friday

- i. **Driver Meeting at 8am. Track open when ready.**

Saturday

- ii. **Driver Meeting at 8am**
- iii. **Race Car Parade through the City of St Johns (4 miles total) 9am**
- iv. **Practice starts at 10am and runs all day by Group.**

Sunday

- v. **Practice, qualifying and qualifying race.**
- vi. **Australian Pursuit Race**
- vii. **ASA Speed Truck Feature Race**

Monday

- viii. **Warm up Practice**
- ix. **Feature Races start 10am and go thru 4pm. Grid position from Saturday Qualifying Race.**

THIS IS A PROFESSIONAL RACE EVENT. THERE WILL BE MEDIA, TV-RADIO-NEWSPAPER AT THE EVENT. WE WILL NEED TO LOOK GOOD.

*****ONLY ASA AND PROAUTOSPORTS DECALS CAN BE ON THE CARS. OTHER SANCTION DECALS MUST BE REMOVED OR COVERED.**

*****ONLY ASA OR PROAUTOSPORTS PATCHES MUST SHOW ON THE DRIVERS SUITS. OTHER SANCTIONS PATCHES MUST BE COVERED OR REMOVED.**

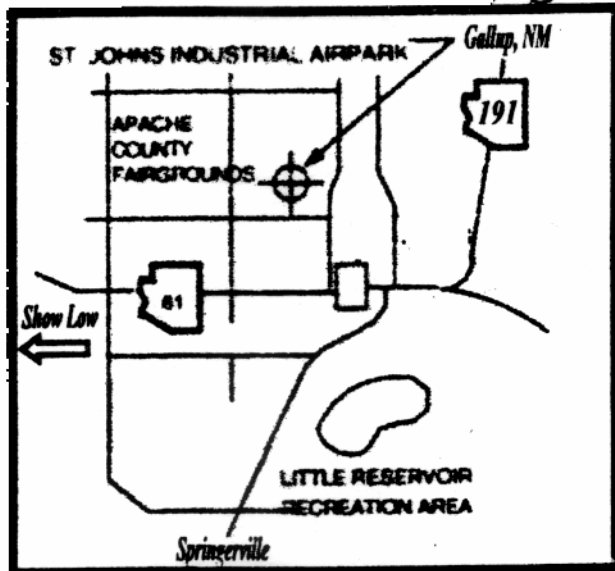
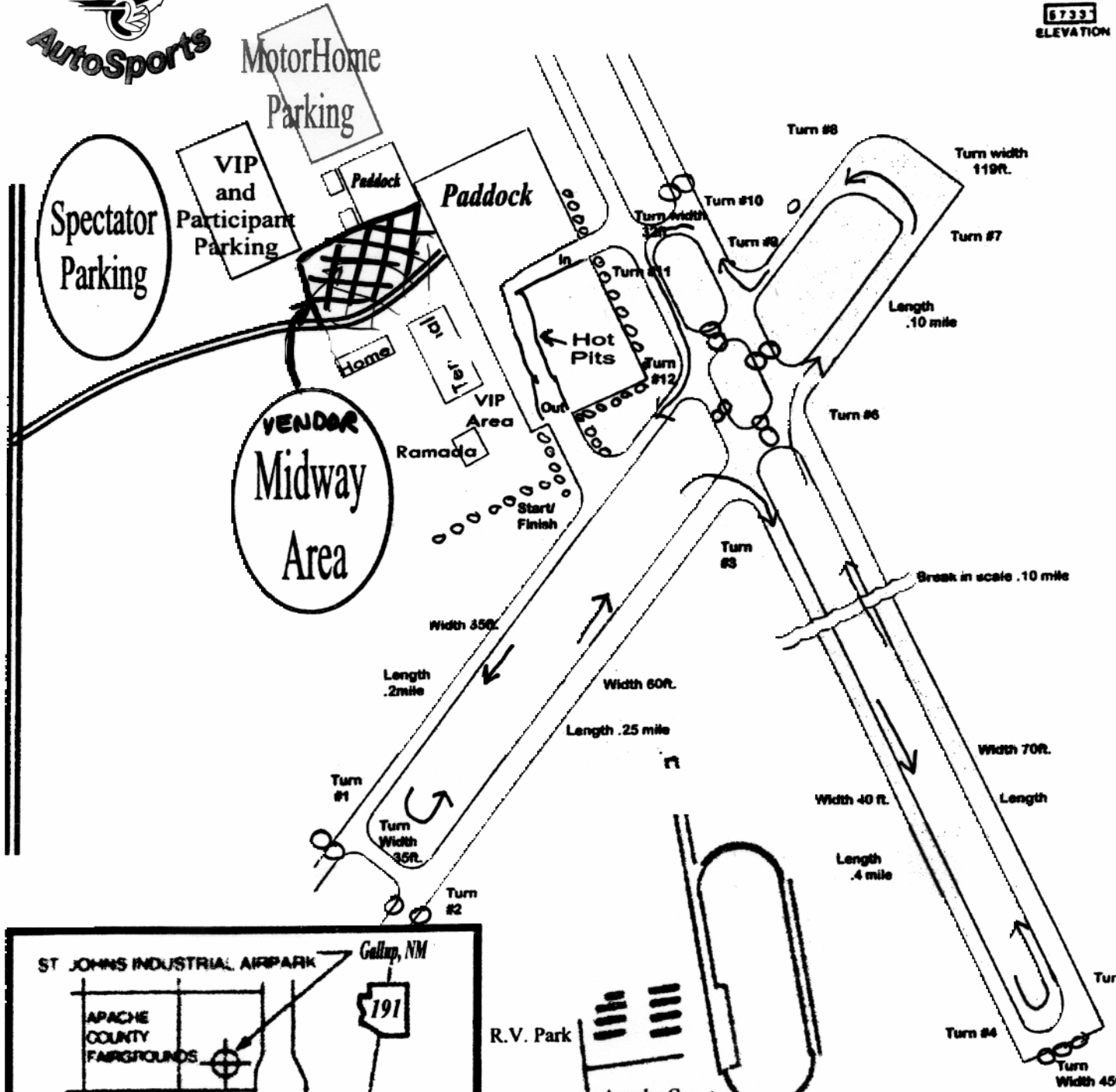
*****THE PROAUTOSPORTS GCR SPELLS OUT THE REQUIRED DECALS FOR CARS. THESE AND THE PATCHES ARE AVAILABLE FROM ANGLO AMERICAN RACING STORE, THE PROAUTOSPORTS OFFICE OR AT REGISTRATION.**

*****ENTRY & EXIT TO THE PADDOCK BY VEHICLE WILL BE FROM 6AM TO 8AM EACH MORNING SATURDAY-SUNDAY-MONDAY. GATES WILL CLOSE AT 8AM AND REOPEN AT 6PM EACH DAY FOR EXIT.**

THE AIRPARK AREA AND TRACK ARE SHOWN BELOW



St. Johns Industrial Airpark 1.65 Mile Road Course



R.V. Park

Apache County Fair Grounds

oo Barrels

7. **Weather:** The weather at St. Johns this time of year is 75-85 during the day and in the 50's during the night. There is a possibility of some breezes, occasional rain or wind. Rain is normal short falls and the track dries out quickly. At the 6000 ft. elevation, the sky is bright blue with white cumulus cloud buildup during the day and the stars are bright and close at night. Bring sunscreen as the sun can tan or burn in a few hours.
8. **Services at Track:** We have VP Fuels, Goodyear Tire Service and lots of food service. Your ASA Speed Truck fuel, tire and other normal services are expected as well. NAPA Auto Parts will have a booth and runners at the track to find parts if you need them.
9. **Entertainment:** This is a family oriented event. There will be music in the paddock every afternoon, a midway with vendors for food, products, services, childrens activities and shopping. Live radio broadcasts are scheduled every day. THERE IS A HOSPITALITY AREA FOR RACE TEAMS AND VIPS WITH SNACKS AND DRINKS OPEN EVERY DAY.
10. **VERY IMPORTANT NOTES:**

*****The paddock parking is limited and the local fire marshall will only let essential vehicles in it. PLEASE DO NOT TRY TO PARK YOUR NON-ESSENTIAL STREET VEHICLES IN IT. IF YOU DO, THE FIRE MARSHALL MAY CLOSE DOWN THE EVENT FOR THE DAY.**

*****Your rigs are considered essential vehicles if they are not unhooked. If you unhook them, the truck will be considered a personal vehicle.**

*****RV'S MUST BE PARKED OFF THE PADDOCK PAVEMENT IN THE CRUISE AMERICA VILLAGE OR NEXT TO THE PADDOCK.**

*****All personal vehicles will have to be parked outside the front gate in the parking area. It is a short walk to your paddock space.**

*****Paddock spaces are marked out 20ft. wide by 40ft. deep. (18 wheelers will be assigned a double space)**

*****Open trailers must be unloaded and moved off the paddock to trailer parking area.**

*****Performance Driving Program Street Cars and race cars without support vehicles must double up in a paddock space.**

*****The paddock will be closed to vehicle entry each morning at 9am Saturday and 8am Sunday and Monday. It will remain closed until the track is closed for the day. The Police Department will have the street into the paddock closed during the day.**

11. **RACE CAR DECALS & DRIVER SUIT PATCHES:** Note, this is a professional race event and TV and other media will be here with lots of cameras. These decals and patches must be on the car before you go to grid. If you do not have this done you will be sent back when you try to go to grid.

*****ProAutoSports or St. Johns Grand Prix Decals are required per the GCR. These decals are required on front/rear/side/side. Cars with windshields are required to have ProAutoSports**

window banners. If you have a sponsor on the windshield, then it may be placed on the rear window. These are available from the office or Registration. Window banners are \$10 and the small decals are 4 ProAutoSports and 2 ASA are \$5.

IN GENERAL

We appreciate you all coming to the St. Johns Grand Prix. We will do anything we can to make sure you will have a good time. We know this is a trip for you all and thank you for coming.

If you have any questions, call the ASA ProAutoSports office at 480-664-3872.

***There is a lot of info about the event on our website: www.proautosports.com
Go to the St. Johns Grand Prix Link.***

Your sponsors may have a booth in the midway. Call the St. Johns Chamber of Commerce at 928-337-2000 for information. The booth cost is \$35 up. We expect over 10,000 spectators for the 3 day event.

This is a rural small town community. Restaurants and hotels are limited. Kick back and enjoy the small town ambiance. The people are excited you are here and will do their best to make things good for you. Sometimes patience is the courtesy you can show them.

This is a family event. The Vendor Midway will have various food services, gift shops, rides for kids, etc.

We expect 10,000 spectators. They will have access to the paddock. Drivers will be asked for photos and autographs. The best way to be prepared is to have a "Hero Card". They are available from Cecil Walker, our staff photographer at 480-236-5763.

***SAVE \$\$ AND STAY RIGHT NEXT TO THE PADDOCK. RENT A CRUISE
AMERICA RV!***

We plan to see you there!