

# VINTAGE MESSENGER

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## Election 2008 Results

President Elect - Mark Robinson  
 Secretary - Traci Pearson

New Directors at Large:

Tom Deats  
 Jamie Stiehr  
 John Stokley

Congratulations to the newly elected and to the returning members of the Board as follows:

2008 President - Bob Mitchiner  
 Past President - Bill Fleming  
 Treasurer - Bob Alder

Returning Directors at Large:

Bob Darcey  
 Scott Sanders  
 Dennis McIlree  
 Dan Berry

And our very special thanks to outgoing Board members -- Marcia Hubbell, Roger Hively, Tom Ellis, and Kevin Lynch.

### The Chihuahua Express! A Duel in the Desert – Part of the Silver State International Challenge

**What:** top-speed event -- stage rally -- closed paved roads for three days -- northern Mexico, open-road racing at its finest!

**When:** April 11-13, 2008. Three days of racing.

**Where:** City of Chihuahua, State of Chihuahua, Mexico

**Contact info:** Gerie Bledsoe at [gbledso@aol.com](mailto:gbledso@aol.com)

Website: [www.chihuahuaexpress.com.mx](http://www.chihuahuaexpress.com.mx)

## President's Corner

This is a cordial invitation to attend RMVR board meetings. They're held the third Wednesday of every month except December and sometimes the feedback session serves as the meeting in November. We have some exciting things to discuss for the coming season. Get first hand information about the Pike's Peak International Hill Climb, HPR Progress, On-line registration, the Showboat Grand Prix, just to name a few. Come, observe and participate in the processes that make RMVR work. Who knows? You might even want to run for the board next year.

We're meeting at the Thornton City Hall this year. It's at 9500 Civic Center Drive, Thornton. The location is very accessible from I-25. Basically, you get on Thornton Parkway going East and you turn Northwest onto Civic Center Drive and City Hall is the first building on your right. There's lots of parking. Normally, we will meet in the training room. Enter the front door of the building and look for signs or people that you recognize. We have an alternate location in the same building but we would use it only if there was a conflict in the training room.

For those of you like maps, here's one, courtesy of Map Quest.



Board Meetings will be typically held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month, at 7:00PM, at the Thornton City Hall, 9500 Civic Center Drive, Thornton, CO 80229 A link to a map follows: [MAP](#)

FOR MORE INFORMATION: RMVR c/o Diane Hively - 6745 West Third Place, Lakewood, Colorado 80226 - (303) 319-3062

## Minutes

There was no December 2007 Board Meeting.

## Classifieds



**FOR SALE – CLASSIC CAR TRAILER** – Aluminum enclosure. Interior dimensions: L = 14' 10"; W = 6' 5"; H = 58". Total length: 18' 8". Two small front access doors and roof hatch. Two tool boxes, tire rack, plates for mounting winch and battery, safety chains, E-track, D-rings, breakaway system, self-storing ramps, beaver tail. Dual axle, electric brakes, 7000 lb. GVW. New tires and valves, repacked wheel bearings and brakes inspected in June 2007. \$3400.00. Call Jim at 303-679-8124 or e-mail [plgmiller@msn.com](mailto:plgmiller@msn.com)

**FOR SALE: 1961 DKW 750 Sedan.** Excellent Historic Group Entry Opportunity! A pair of them, actually, Das Kleine Wunder, one of the four rings of AUTO UNION. Audi, Horch, and of course, AUTO UNION, being the other three. The DKW 750 features a venerable, time-tested, 3 cylinder, 2 stroke, longitudinal engine, fitted with a 4-speed fully synchromesh transaxle, with inboard front brakes, to form its front-wheel-drive drive train. Four wheel independent, torsion bar suspension. Steel frame and coach work, 1400 Lb. curb weight in street trim. Join the 3=6 revolution, get POWER EVERY TIME a piston moves down, and reduce the number of moving parts you need for FUN! Competition history includes RMVR Steamboat, & Second Creek, for the one that has been on track. Both in very complete condition, 'safety tubes' (roll bars), included. \$2000/pair. Delivery available. Contact: Clive Averill, (303) 420-3062 E-Mail : [eagle1933@hotmail.com](mailto:eagle1933@hotmail.com)

## Pikes Peak Hill Climb International Race to the Clouds July 15-20, 2008

Mark your calendars. Pikes Peak Hill Climb International in conjunction with RMVR will be hosting a Vintage grid of A, B, C, production cars A Sedans and cars with Hill Climb history. Started in 1917 this is the second oldest race in US history. Experience a truly International event with drivers from all corners of the world. For memories that will last a life time- don't miss this opportunity for the ultimate test of driver and machine. Climb the 12 plus mile course with over 150 turns to 14,110 feet.

Space is limited to 40 Vintage cars. Almost half of our grid is already filled. Our deadline for registration is 3/1/08 so don't delay. Forms are available to download on RMVR's web site.

For any questions contact Tony Martins; e-mail [cycleworksusa@msn.com](mailto:cycleworksusa@msn.com) or call 720-232-0998.



**For Sale: CALDWELL D-13 FORMULA VEE.** Green and silver Caldwell D-13 Formula Vee as raced with RMVR for the last five years. This is a front running championship car that is ready to go with race prep just completed. All the go fast parts still on the car, nothing removed. Comes with four NEW slicks, mounted on a set of spare wheels, and a spare nose with new matching paint and clear bra. Call Mark @ (720) 272-2009

**1997 F-250 Tow Truck** -- Team Terrific is selling our white F250 tow truck. Reason? An upgraded to a newer diesel. The truck is in perfect shape and a great tow vehicle. \$7,600. Only downside is the 460 cu. in. V-8 gas engine which gets lousy mileage, but if you're only using it to occasionally tow to an event, you can buy a LOT of gasoline with the money saved versus buying anything else this nice that will do the job. Easily pulled our 24' covered trailer with three formula cars in it. Complete details and pictures on [www.TeamTerrificRacing.com](http://www.TeamTerrificRacing.com) (click on picture of the truck) or, call Bob Alder for details 303-757-0868 or 303-981-6364.

**Clean up of the garage.** Call or email with questions. Andy Antipas 970-963-8297 or [aantipas@sopris.net](mailto:aantipas@sopris.net). Offers are welcome. Thanks for looking! Winkelmann WDB4 chassis (one of 5 made) = offers, used ford cross flow inlet manifold = \$100, Lucas/ford distributor missing skew gear, twin cam? = \$55, pair bilstein shocks for FF/FB 12.5 in. long = \$100 each, pair Sachs gas shocks for FF/FB 13.75 in. long \$100 each, used K&N filter for weber DGV, compact but needs minor repair = \$10, Eastwood fuel tank sealer kit, new in box = free/pay the shipping.

**For Sale Race Bits.** Authorized dealer for Arai, Bell, and Zamp helmets (SA2005), Sabelt harness sets (FIA), Crow harness sets (SFI), Sabelt nomex clothing, Sabelt racing seats, OMP safety equipment, Longacre products, Pipercross airfilters, Spax shocks, and Titan drysump and steering equipment. Contact Andy Antipas (formula ford L&P #77) with your needs at 970-963-8297 or [aantipas@sopris.net](mailto:aantipas@sopris.net). [www.titannorthamerica.com](http://www.titannorthamerica.com).

**FOR SALE:** The late Dave Boyer's 1967 Datsun 1600, #875 RMVR certified & beautifully prepared as raced by Dave. Turn the key and race! Asking \$8500. Call Bill Cross @720-261-3935

## Competition Licenses for 2007

RMVR would like to congratulate the following members who have completed the requirements and have received their competition licenses this year!!!

<u>Name</u>	<u>License #</u>
Larry Bolin	888
James Burow	963
Robert Cancellieri	960
Henry Davis	1056
Bill Demetre	1052
Mark Eden	926
Larry Gilbert	953
Stew Harding	1022
Bill Hayes	1040
Clarence Hughes	1039
Billy Jacobs	1054
Joel Jantzen	1030
Jay Lindley	1009
Adam Mackstaller	1029
Bruce McCalister	1024
Derrick Neikam	1035
Graham Nessel	986
Larry Nessel	987
Scott Pettitt	1055
Kevin Rutherford	1041
Peter Stekr	1049
Lars Waldner	1026

### Reinstated Competition Licenses

Clive Averill	1099
Felice Bruno	1051
George Frey	980
Jerry Lynch	280
Frank Scholer	869
Larry Walker	1019



## **HIGH PLAINS RACEWAY**

An Update

Bob Alder, Capital Campaign

Not much going on. The Holidays take their toll on things happening.

However, the track website, [www.HighPlainsRaceway.com](http://www.HighPlainsRaceway.com) does have a new fun feature. It provides a link to some [YouTube videos](#) which are **simulated track laps!** Andy Labout, a PCA racer with considerable computer skills, was able to adapt a racing video game to pretty well simulate the HPR track layout and elevation changes. As he improves the game (and his laps) he'll post additional video clips. Our thanks to Andy for his volunteer efforts. And get this! Andy has agreed to bring his laptop with the HPR video game (steering wheel and all) to the RMVR Banquet on January 12<sup>th</sup>. We'll have a big screen projector and let folks try their hand at taking virtual laps of HPR. Should be fun.

As noted last month the **USR, the county has the USR hearing scheduled for** early 2008 (January). Barring something unexpected (let us pray), that could be when the USR is approved. Approval of the USR in that time frame will represent the last major entitlement step in the "reality" of HPR.

To reiterate, many of you have already taken advantage of a new feature on [www.highplainsraceway.com](http://www.highplainsraceway.com). But if you haven't, you can now sign up to receive the **HPR Email News Service**. It's a very convenient way to quickly receive the emails about news releases, news about new items on the website, etc. For details and how to sign up, please visit the [CONTACT US](#) page or the track website.

Cheers,  
Bob Alder

## **2007 RMVR Infractions**

Carlton Wells	4/22/2007	LaJunta	Failure to report to Steward	1 race probation
Wendell Young	4/22/2007	LaJunta	Hit car	1 race suspension 3 race probation
Bob Alder	9/9/2007	Hastings	Failure to report to Steward	1 race probation
Terry Allard	9/9/2007	Hastings	Failure to report to Steward	1 race probation
Brock McPherson	9/8/2007	Hastings	Hit car which rolled	1 race suspension 3 race probation
Bob Mitchiner	9/8/2007	Hastings	Unsafe pass	2 race probation
Bob Van Gemert	9/30/2007	Pueblo	Contact barrier	2 race probation
Robert Jimenez	9/30/2007	Pueblo	Unsportsmanlike conduct	13 month probation

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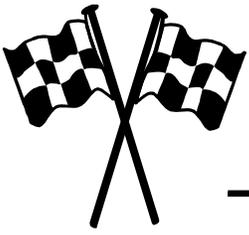
## 2008 Event Schedule

April 18, 19 & 20, 2008	Drivers' School/Race- La Junta, CO
June 14 & 15, 2008	Trans-Am Invitational- Pueblo, CO
July 26 & 27, 2008	Inaugural Race- High Plains Raceway
August 29, 30 & 31, 2008	Showboat Grand Prix- Hastings, NE
Sept. 27 & 28, 2008	Enduro- Pueblo, CO
October 18 & 19, 2008	Race- High Plains Raceway

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# ***RMVR VOLUNTEER NEWS***

***JANUARY, 2008***

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**By Pauline Wilson**

Well, it's the beginning of another race season already. I would like to start this year out just like we did last year, with a brief description of what we do at the races. **If you know of anyone who is interested in cars, please forward this newsletter to them.** We need all of the volunteers that we can get!

**Timing & Scoring** -Because we run two computer at all times, we need an assistant who is computer literate, knows how to set up the AMB equipment and achieve the interface between the computers and the AMB equipment, can resolve a hardware or software problem, help rent transponders on Friday, and collect them on Sunday afternoon.

**Tech** - Members of the Tech team are involved in two important areas of vintage racing. The first of these is the actual inspection of the race cars before each race event to verify that the necessary modifications pertaining to safety and fluid containment are present. This is not only a great way to meet other members of RMVR but it offers one the opportunity to see these cars up close. If you have ever wondered what it takes to restore and race prepare a car for vintage racing this is a great way to find out.

The other area of Tech that you can become involved in is the hot pit. The purpose of the hot pit is to inspect cars which have been involved in any type of track incident that may have compromised the integrity of that car. This also includes inspecting cars that appear to have some type of mechanical or safety problems. The hot pits provide an excellent opportunity to get into the real action of vintage racing.

Members of the Tech team come from a wide range of different backgrounds, many of whom are automotive professionals. If you share an interest in these classic cars, the RMVR Tech team is an excellent way to put your talents to work and have fun doing it.

**Grid** - The first advantage to working Grid is that you can wear shorts if you want to. (In La Junta you'll want to!!). Next, we'll give you a snappy Pit & Grid shirt to wear. The second advantage is you don't have to stand in one small area and wave different color flags around in the wind, so you don't have to remember what the colors mean.

However you do have to remember BELTS, GLOVES, EYE PROTECTION, HELMETS, and ARM RESTRAINTS and when and which type of car they pertain to. These are the first things to check for on each and every car prior to allowing cars on the track. Grid offers a unique perspective and different view of the races and members of RMVR.

**Flagging & Communications** -So, you think you may want to be a corner worker. The first question you may ask yourself is, "What will I have to do and what do I need to know to work on a corner?"

The people on the corners serve several purposes, all very important to the safe conduct of a race. The first, and probably the most important, function is communicating to the drivers the condition of the race course through the use of flags. At least two people at each corner will be dedicated each race to flagging. One worker will be responsible for the yellow flag that warns the drivers of danger between this corner and the next. Another worker will be using the blue flag to warn the drivers that a faster car is approaching from behind. These two workers stand near each other, one facing on-coming traffic and one facing away. Since neither can see all that is happening around the corner, they must warn each other of danger coming from the direction they are facing. These two will also use other flags to warn drivers of debris or slippery conditions ahead, a slow moving or emergency vehicle ahead or that the race has been stopped.

A third worker, or sometimes the worker with the yellow flag, will be wearing the radio and will be in communication with race control. This is the second function of the corner workers. This worker will report all incidents or problems to race control and will inform the other workers on the corner of what is happening at other corners during the race.

Corner workers must also be ready to respond to any problems that occur with the race cars near their corners. If a car stops, for any reason, between their corner and the next, they will go to the car, with a fire extinguisher, to determine the problem. If the car cannot be restarted, the worker will assist in moving the car to a safe location and assist the driver back to the safety of the corner station. If the car can be restarted, the worker will direct the driver in safe re-entry of the racetrack.

During the race day the workers will also work to maintain a safe race surface by sweeping debris from the track and drying any oil or antifreeze that may be deposited on the track by a race car.

And finally, the workers will watch the race cars to detect any possible mechanical problems that may be developing with the cars of which the drivers may not be aware. The workers report these problems to race control so that the race steward or the technical inspectors can determine whether to allow the car to continue.

This sounds like a lot of work. You may ask, “What is in this for me?” Good question! The first thing, and probably what gets most people started in corner working, is the involvement in and closeness to the action. You cannot get any closer to the action without actually being in a race car. Watching the racing from up close and knowing what’s going on around the track is an experience you can’t get any other way. Another large benefit is appreciation. I don’t know about you, but not much that I do is rewarded with sincere thanks these days. During a race weekend the number of people that walk up to me and say, “Thanks for being here” makes me feel that I have done something worthwhile. It’s not all work either out on the corner, and I’ve gotten to know a lot of interesting people since I have begun corner working. People who share an interest in racing and vintage cars.

Your final question will be, “What will enable me to do this?” First is training, both classroom and on-the-job. RMVR conducts an excellent “Fire and Rescue School” each March, at the beginning of the race season, to train workers in the functions of corner working. If you are interested in working, I highly recommend attending this school next March. Also, each corner has a captain, a more experienced worker, and during the weekend the captain will be reviewing and teaching as situations occur at the corner station.

So, get involved with your club. It’s fun and rewarding and you will be providing a very necessary service to the racers.

**PLEASE SEND IN RESPONSE TO THE APPROPRIATE CHIEF LISTED BELOW.**

If you have any preferences as to whom you share a room with, please be sure to let your chief know. Remember that all specialties are limited as to the number of workers for whom they can provide accommodations, so send in your reply form before the deadline.

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