

MANDRA NEWSLETTER

The 2019 race season is coming fast, we can look forward to some new cars, new members and great competition at eight different tracks. Some tracks will have new timing systems and new or additional equipment for 2019.

The first race for 2019 season will be held on Saturday, April 27, at Island Dragway. The race will be sponsored by AKL Racing.

Thanks to those who displayed cars and attended the Harrisburg Motorama and a special thank you to Bob English for getting pictures for the MANDRA web site.

We had a great turnout for the MANDRA membership meeting in January at the Eastern Museum of Motor Racing at York Springs, PA. For those of you that aren't familiar with the museum, EMMR (as it is known) is primarily a dirt track racing museum (30,000 sq ft) with over a hundred sprint cars and other dirt track cars and a growing drag race display area with the help of MANDRA member Jeff Golden. There are 8 – 10 drag cars on display and a display of parts from racers like Bill Jenkins and Jere Stahl. The cars change periodically. Plan to see the museum, it's worth the trip.

At the January 6th membership meeting we had the annual election of officers. The officers for 2019 are President – Merritt Snyder, Vice President - Ray Bloom, Secretary - Brian Yarrison, Treasurer - Barbara Sommers. Board of Directors for 2019 are Bob English, Ralph Ferraro and Marc English.

Several committees were formed Plaque Committee – Randy Campbell, Banquet Committee – Kim Picone, MANDRA Yearbook Committee – Wendy Campbell. Additional volunteers may be needed for committees. Please speak to the above members to see what you can do to help.

As an organized club, MANDRA must have rules. The competition committee and the race judges appointed at each race can be called upon to solve any problem or dispute that may arise as we compete in friendly competition in the sport we all love...nostalgia drag racing!

We are still looking to confirm a few sponsors for 2019. Please contact Merritt.

If you haven't paid your 2019 dues, you can send the check to Barbara Sommers at 1023 Hogan Way, Northampton, PA 18067, or see her at the first race.

2018 was tough season weather wise, especially for the tracks, but everyone endured. We are all hoping for great weather for great racing in 2019.

Hope to see everyone at Island Dragway.

Merritt