

MAINE VINTAGE RACE CAR ASSOCIATION



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From the President's desk:

Hall of Fame Video, Photos Now Available

Saturday, January 3, 2004 was an historic night for the motorsports community in Maine. Twelve legendary individuals from the sport of auto racing were the first to be inducted into the Maine Motorsports Hall of Fame.

Now, you can view or re-live that memorable evening with the official Maine Motorsports Hall of Fame video of the inaugural induction ceremonies. The video captures a portion of the history of auto racing in Maine through the presentation and acceptance speeches of the twelve inductees, the humorous stories and the emotion of the occasion.

Recorded on video by Sammy Reynolds and Chris Libby, and masterly produced by Bill Channell of Channell One Video (P.O. Box 399, Epping, N.H. 03042), the 2-tape video set has the twelve 'presentations of induction' and the twelve induction acceptance speeches. In addition on the video are: a special presentation to the Maine Vintage Race Car Association by Mrs. Rita Darveau, the presentation of the three finalists for "Maine Driver of the Year" and the "Maine Driver of the Year" award, the "Allen Brann Photography Award", the

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Brockman Enters OXFORD 250, Maine Motorsports Hall of Fame to Benefit

Freeport, Maine – George Brockman and Birdman Racing have announced plans to enter the 31st Annual OXFORD 250 with the support of Pine Tree Mortgage, Inc. and Do Do's Hot Rods & Stuff, both of Freeport, Maine. The OXFORD 250 is scheduled for Sunday, July 18th, at the Oxford Plains Speedway in Oxford, Maine.

In announcing the plan to enter the '250', Brockman says the effort will also benefit the Maine Motorsports Hall of

Fame building fund. "We are going to raffle the racecar off!" said Brockman laughing. "Whatever condition the racecar is in after the OXFORD 250, a lucky person is going to own the car minus the motor and transmission."

Brockman, a veteran of over ten years of racing in Maine, had never considered entering the July 18th event until

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Allen Brann Photography Award Contest Returns for Second Year

Auburn, Maine – The photo contest named in the memory of Allen Brann continues in 2004. Established by the Maine Vintage Race Car Association, the Allen Brann Photography Award is presented to the photographer of the winning photo best depicting motorsports in Maine.

An avid photographer, Allen Brann co-founded the Maine Vintage Race Car Association and was its Vice-President when he suddenly passed away in January 2003.

The photo contest is open to any individual - amateur or professional. Photographs must be motorsports related but does not have to be of "on track" action. The photo subject can be in a "pit area, in a race shop or wherever. Submitted photographs must have a Maine connection.

Submitted photographs must be a minimum of 5" x 7" in

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speedway owner Bill Ryan Jr. announced reigning NASCAR Nextel Cup Series Champion Matt Kenseth had entered the '250'. "I can't think of a better race to enter than the 250 with the NASCAR (Nextel Cup) champion competing," said Brockman. "And, we wouldn't be able to do this without the support of Pine Tree Mortgage, Inc."

Pine Tree Mortgage, Inc. provides fast, hassle-free financing for the purchase of new homes, refinancing, new construction projects, debt consolidation and much more. Based in Freeport, Maine at 20 Independence Drive, Pine Tree Mortgage has office locations throughout New England.

A member of the Advisory Board of the Maine Vintage Race Car Association, Brockman has decided to raffle the racecar off with half the proceeds going into a Hall of Fame/museum building fund. Raffle tickets are only \$10

(ten dollars) and can be purchased at Do Do's Hot Rods & Stuff on Route 1 in Freeport and through the Maine Vintage Race Car Association at 51 Heath Lane, Auburn, Maine 04210 or on-line at mainevintageracecars.com.

In addition to Pine Tree Mortgage, Inc. and Do Do's Hot Rods & Stuff, associate sponsors include Hannaford Race Engines in Hollis Center; Action Engineering in Kezar Falls and R & C Enterprises of Scarborough.

The Pine Tree Mortgage/Do Do's Hot Rods & Stuff Birdman Racing Chevrolet Pro Stock will be on display at the Bonny Eagle Car Show at the Cumberland Fairgrounds in Cumberland, Maine on Saturday and Sunday, May 15-16th. Raffle tickets will be available.

For more information and anyone interested in supporting this effort, contact George Brockman at 207-

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size with the name, address, phone number and e-mail address (if available) printed on the back of the photograph. A brief paragraph about the photograph is encouraged. Mail the photographs to: Maine Vintage Race Car Association - 51 Heath Lane - Auburn, Maine 04210. E-mail submissions will not be accepted.

The winner of the Allen Brann Photography Award will be a guest of the Maine Vintage Race Car Association at the Maine Motorsports Hall of Fame dinner and induction ceremonies on Saturday, January 8, 2005 at the Augusta (Maine) Civic Center. The winner will be presented the Allen Brann Photography Award and a monetary award of

\$100 (one hundred dollars) during the ceremonies.

The winning photograph becomes the property of the Maine Vintage Race Car Association. The winning photograph, and subsequent winning photographs, will be posted on the MVRCA web site and displayed at appropriate MVRCA functions and, eventually, in the Maine Motorsports Museum & Hall of Fame.

The deadline to submit photographs is October 1, 2004. For more information about the Allen Brann Photography Award, visit the Maine Vintage Race Car Association at www.mainevintageracecars.com.

Remember When

Maine Vintage Race Car Association member Walter Dupont sent along the photo at the right of the Class A car he built and raced at Unity Raceway in 1964.

The car was a narrowed 1946 Ford coupe, powered by a 1952 Chrysler Spit Fire engine. Walter adds the engine was bored 125-thousandths and had split exhaust.

Barely visible through the garage door is the Dave Darveau #8 coupe he raced at Unity. Thank you, Walter.

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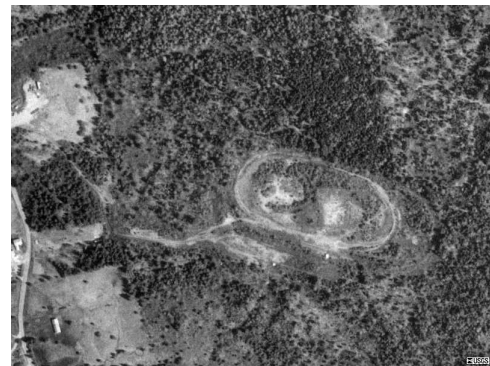


On the left, Dick Garrett and the Blue Deuce taken at Beech Ridge Speedway in 1971. In the photo on the right, Hall of Fame member Dick Garrett (left) and former crew chief Garry Cunningham look over the remains of the Blue Deuce. Master vintage race car restorer Steve Pellerin has begun restoring the famed Blue Deuce. Watch for updates of this restoration project by Steve.

Remember When

Maine Vintage Race Car Association Advisory Board member and noted vintage race car restorer Steve Pellerin found an interesting web site called "The Vintage Racer" - www.thevintageracer.com. Among the features on the web site is a link devoted to satellite photos of current and past race tracks.

On the right are satellite photos of two old Maine race tracks - Cherryfield Park (top) and Sanford Speedway (bottom). Cherryfield Park operated from the 1950's into the mid-1960's and re-opened for the 1970 and 1971 seasons. The photo was taken in May 1996.



Sanford Speedway was a one-third-mile dirt track which operated for only a few years in the 1950's. This photo was taken in May 1998.



In addition to Cherryfield Park and Sanford Speedway, Arundel Speedway, Sanford Dragway and Old Orchard Beach Speedway are also listed along with Maine race tracks currently operating. Using the "search" function on TerraServer USA, a photo of the old New Gloucester Fairgrounds (presently Trotter Park) was found.

MVRCA Schedule of Events

Date	Location	Type	Sanction
May 19 - 23	'Vintage Celebration' - New Hampshire Int'l Speedway	Display On Track	MVRCA
June 12	Oxford Plains Speedway	Display	STAR/MVRCA
July 17	Beech Ridge Motor Speedway	Display	MVRCA
August 21	Speedway 95	Display	MVRCA
January 7 - 9	17th Annual Northeast Motorsports Expo - Augusta, ME	Display	MVRCA
January 8	Maine Motorsports Hall of Fame Induction Ceremonies - Augusta Civic Center	Dinner / Ceremonies	MVRCA

For more information about "A Year's Drive to the Hall II", visit www.mainevintageracecars.com.

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Maine Vintage Race Car Association "President's Award" and a ceremony-ending video put together by Steve Pellerin of pictures put to music honoring the twelve inductees.

The 2-tape (VHS) video set is available through the Maine Vintage Race Car Association for \$39.95 plus \$5.00 for shipping and handling per order. Members of the Maine Vintage Race Car Association receive a \$5.00 discount.

In addition to the official Hall of Fame video, photographs of the induction ceremonies are also available through the Maine Vintage Race Car Association. Steve LeClair, the official photographer of the induction ceremonies, has recorded the evening from beginning to end on print. All the photographs taken by Steve can be viewed by going to the MVRCA web site – www.manevintageracecars.com – and clicking on the "Induction Ceremony Photos" button below the "Maine Motorsports Hall of Fame" logo.

The photographs are available in 3 sizes: 4 inch x 6 inch reprints - \$3.50 each; 5 inch x 7 inch - \$5.00; and 8 inch x 10 inch - \$10.00. Shipping and handling is \$3.50 per order. Please include the "Item Number" of each photograph ordered.

To purchase the Maine Motorsports Hall of Fame induction ceremony 2-tape video set and/or photographs, make check or money order payable to "Maine Vintage Race Car Association" or "MVRCA" and mail to: MVRCA – 51 Heath Lane – Auburn, Maine 04210. Allow approximately 2 weeks for delivery. An Order Form is included inside this Newsletter.

Special thanks and appreciation to Bill Channell of Channell One Video for the time and devotion he spent to produce the Hall of Fame video. Anyone interested in purchasing videos of racing at Beech Ridge Speedway in the 1950's and 1960's (tapes #4 and #5), visit the Channell One Video web site - www.racevideo.com.

Classified Ads

WANTED: Ford Pinto sheetmetal or an old Pinto Modified body. For restoration project. Contact: Michael Sweet, 1881 Nassau Street, Merrick, N.Y. 11566. Tel.: (585)738-9166 or sweetx99@optonline.net.

FOR SALE: Modified 1937 Plymouth coupe, Ed Flemke front suspension, wide 5 Quickchange rearend – contact Skip Bennington – Roanoke, Virginia 24014 – Tel.: 540-427-4916 (home) or 540-982-9861 (11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.) – Lmsc44@aol.com.

WANTED: I have 65 older Beech Ridge Speedway souvenir programs 1969 - 1977, that I would like to trade with some one else in exchange for missing copies we may each need for respective collections. Also, looking for Oxford Plains Speedway souvenir programs 1971 thru 1975. I'm a collector, not a reseller. Will also trade for older racing photos. Call Steve at: 207-839-8349 or spell41184@aol.com.

FOR SALE: Vintage Race Car (project) 1957 Chevrolet 2-door post (210) has full frame less rear differential & springs, have one '70 (?) Camaro clip, wide five front spindles & hubs, winters QC w/wide five hubs, & locker, set of good calipers, extra rotors, QC mounting brackets, coil springs, Saginaw 4 speed, fuel cell, aluminum seat, aluminum radiator, 196? full-size Chevy frame w/full cage Ford 9" rear w/ discs - ALL FOR \$2500. Contact Bob Foster for pictures by e-mail Bfoster@abcisp.net or 508-746-4999

To Place a Classified Ad

Include name, address, phone number and e-mail address when submitting "For Sale" and "Wanted" classified ads - for office use. Include at least a phone number or e-mail address in all ads. Give a **brief** description of each item for sale in the ad. Notify the Maine Vintage Race Car Association when any item has been sold or bought as soon as possible. Accepting "For Sale" and "Wanted" classified ads by E-mail, by FAX and by U.S. Postal. See page 1 for MVRCA information. Ads are **FREE**.



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