

Watkins Glen DE Track Rats Notes for 2019

Fellow Track Rats,

Welcome to NER's annual 3 day weekend at Watkins Glen, 9-11 August. We are all excited about this event at The Glen and look forward to seeing you at the track.

Our WGI event has been sponsored for many years by Jerry Pellegrino and his great staff at European Performance Engineering, 165 West Central St., Natick, MA 508.651.1316 and this year is no different. Thanks, Jerry, for all you do for our DE'ers!

All the information you'll need may easily be found on our web site www.porschenet.com. As this 'Track Rats' is multi-media, if you are reading this on-line, there are direct links to pages listed below. **Please visit the event page for NER's DE Event at Watkins Glen International and download the event schedule, work assignments, student/instructor assignments and other important information.** Check back shortly before you leave for the track as there are often last minute changes. **There will not be copies of any of these materials (nor the schedule, instructor and work assignments) at the event, so please print your own and bring them with you or load them on your Smartphone.**

<https://porschenet.com/events/2019-de-at-watkins-glen/>

The following link should help to get you started. It will get you to our DE home page. If you click on the links down the right hand side they will lead you to the information you need.

NER's DE Information: Pay particular attention to the following:

[Technical Inspection](#)

[Requirements](#)

[On the Track](#) (all sections)

[Run Groups](#)

Event Specific Information: Links to this information are located on the event page. If the page says the item has been updated, and it doesn't look any different than what you saw previously, try refreshing your browser. Not all browsers refresh every time you visit a page (they do this to make it seem like the browser is running really, really fast!)

[Event Schedule](#)

[Worker Assignments](#) will be posted as soon as available

[Garage Assignments](#)

[Student/Instructor Assignments](#)

[Run Groups](#) for the event

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The following are other details not specifically spelled out in the information provided above.

Gate: The front gates will open at 6:00 AM each day of the event. Please do not arrive earlier!!

Early Group Arrival: Arrangements have been made with the track for everyone to enter on Thursday between 6:00 and 9:00 PM and unload your rigs.

Registration: Will be open by 6:30 AM. Please make sure that you and YOUR GUESTS sign both the track waiver and the PCA waiver. The track waiver will be signed at the gate as you enter. The PCA waiver will be signed at our registration in the garage between 6:30 and 7:45 AM. For guests arriving later in the day PLEASE MAKE SURE THEY SIGN OUR PCA WAIVER AT CONTROL. Everybody attending the event (including your guests and family) will be required to wear wristbands to indicate that they have signed the waivers. These will be distributed at registration. PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT EVERYBODY ASSOCIATED WITH YOU SIGNS THE PCA WAIVER AS WELL AS THE TRACK WAIVER. Registration and waiver signing is necessary only the first day you or your guests attend (keep your wristbands!).

Technical Inspection: Every car needs to be pre-teched as explained in the "Technical Inspection" section mentioned above. In addition to this pre-tech requirement we will also have a mandatory final safety inspection at the track. A tech line will be set up near registration and will be open from 6:30 to 7:45 AM. Please empty your car of all loose gear and materials, apply your numbers and move quickly to the Tech Line with your helmet and COMPLETED AND SIGNED tech form.

YOUR CAR MUST BE TECHED EVERY MORNING, YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED ON THE TRACK WITHOUT GOING THROUGH THE TECH LINE! If you're late and the tech line has closed you'll pay a \$20 late fee that will go to our charity, Homes for Our Troops. On your first day, register early and then get to the tech line. Please arrive early - don't be the last in line - we're all volunteers trying to give you a safe, fun day at the track.

Instructors please note: Although you may do your own inspection when you get to the track you are still required to have your vehicle pre-inspected by an appropriate inspector as described in the "Technical Inspection" section of the website. If it is not clear to you what is required please email Stan or Justin in advance of the event so that we can explain it to you. Instructors must take their Tech Forms and helmets to the Tech Line to obtain their Instructor Tech Stickers.

Worker Assignments: All attendees are expected to help make our event safe and fun.

Everybody should be able to find their names associated with a work assignment on the worker assignment list posted on the website as part of the WGI Event Info. Most will have a short stint working in Staging, some may be listed to work the morning tech line and others will be shown to be working in control. Please take the time to understand when and where you are expected to be. **If you are listed to work the tech line please try to be at the track early** (particularly on Friday morning).

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Classroom activities and coaching: Classroom activities are listed on the schedule. Note that some of the sessions are mandatory for the run groups listed.

On-Line Drivers' Meeting: NER is continuing our new, different and quite revolutionary On-Line Driver's Meeting that we initiated last year at our September Palmer event in order to expedite the driver's meeting the morning of the event. We have developed an "On-Line Driver's Meeting Pack" which is a document of the actual drivers' on-site meeting topics. What this means is solo drivers (Blue, White and Black run groups) should:

- 1) PRINT and read the document. Once you are done - and found the answer to the "Secret Question" included in the main text - sign the top cover, date it, answer the question and BRING THE SIGNED TOP PAGE with you to your first day of Registration;
- 2) During registration at the event, we will collect that signed page from you and mark you off as successfully completed; and
- 3) YOU MUST STILL ATTEND the on-site Drivers Meeting that morning, but, as one who has taken the time to read the meeting notes - your time in that meeting will be brief. Those who do NOT have the signed form will remain to go through the detailed meeting.

Our thanks, and your Driver Meeting Pack can be found at the link [here](#).

Two Spin Rule: Any driver who leaves the track (two or four wheels off), spins, is not in control of his/her car, and/or makes contact with another car or object will be black flagged and must come into the pits to have the car looked over and to be queried for the cause. Do not wait for the black flag to come into the pits. A second incident may be cause for not driving the rest of the day and/or ejection from the event.

Attitude Adjustment: Anyone deemed to be unsafe and discourteous will be ejected from the event. Safety is our primary concern throughout the course of the event. This is NOT a timed event and it is NOT practice for racing.

Breakfast and Lunch: Breakfast may be bought at several restaurants or take-outs near the track. I'm not sure if the food stand outside the classroom will be open for our event. The WGI Media Center lunch room at the track will be open for lunch all 3 days. A full buffet lunch will be available for a modest \$10, payable at the door. Bring plenty of liquids as discussed in the section "Prevent Heat Illness" found in the links above.

Race Fuel: Race fuel is available at the track.

Pets: No problem bringing your pet. You must clean up after your pet and we recommend the pet be on a leash (for safety purposes).

So, study your materials, make sure your car is pre-teched; MAKE SURE YOU PRINT YOUR SCHEDULE, WORKER ASSIGNMENT AND STUDENT/INSTRUCTOR ASSIGNMENT and we'll see you

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Social: OK - you demanded and we delivered - again. Yep, you read that right - the BBQ is happening on Saturday after the track goes cold (the track goes cold at 4:30 PM) and thanks our "ace" NER Social Team of Kristin, Judi and Pam, they've pulled off getting this set. Wait? What? OK, here are the details....

For the paltry sum of only \$35 per ticket, the BBQ is open to drivers, your friends, your family, your aunt, your uncle, your nieces - well, you get the idea. You can pretty much invite and purchase a ticket for anyone - as all are welcome! Tickets for the dinner are available through ClubReg when you register for the event. Drivers can purchase tickets for family and guests. Please order dinner tickets in ClubReg so we have an accurate count of the number of people attending the dinner. We may have a limited number of tickets available for purchase at the track. If you forgot to purchase your ticket(s) during registration - please simply email Stan at stanley_corbett@msn.com and he'll get you set.

Charity Events: WGI 'owns' the track at lunch time so we won't be doing parade laps. However, if you have family or friends that are interested in driving on the track please see [Drive The Glen](#) for info.

Speed Shop: [The Little Speed Shop](#) (TLSS Race Shop) offers part/tire pre-ordering services where clients can call before an event and have parts/tires ready and waiting to be installed on the vehicle once it gets to the track. You can call them at 585-647-0339 for parts inquiries or check out their facebook page: [The Little Speed Shop](#).

See you at the track!
Stan Corbett

If you need anything else or have questions please email stanley_corbett@msn.com or phone me at 774.275.1621 before 9PM