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RMVR RETURNING TO LA JUNTA RACEWAY Local Volunteers Sought

LAKEWOOD, Colo. – Friday, April 18 through Sunday, April 20, Rocky Mountain Vintage Racing will hold its annual driver's school in conjunction with its regular race weekend at La Junta Raceway.

The races are free and open to spectators. You're invited to come watch American muscle cars, British sports cars, open-wheel formula cars, and others race on the beautiful high plains of southeastern Colorado. Listen to the finely tuned engines; stroll through the pits and chat with the drivers and their families.

RMVR's volunteer workers are critical to the races. They keep the races running smoothly and safely. RMVR is always looking for people interested in being more closely involved with the races, especially corner workers.

Corner workers are the eyes and ears of the control tower around the track. They communicate with drivers about track conditions using flags and hand signals. They also respond to incidents on the track such as disabled race cars and accidents.

Most worker training is done at the track by more experienced workers, but each Spring the workers can attend an intensive and professional two-day Fire and Rescue School, taught by the North Washington Fire Department in Denver. Workers learn how to properly use the radios, keep themselves and other safe, respond to racing incidents, and put out car fires.

Tony Peak, Chief of Worker Training, has worked on safety crews for organizations such as NASCAR and IRL. In all his years, he said, "RMVR is the best group I've ever worked with. It's like a family."

Here in Colorado, RMVR also races at Pueblo Motorsports Park and the soon-to-be-open High Plains Raceway, on U.S. Highway 36, 17 miles east of Byers.

Racing generally runs from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. Worker meetings are held at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday and 7:30 a.m. on Sunday. If you're interested in volunteering, please check out the website at rmvr.com. The Workers and Marshalls section has information on volunteering, as well as a volunteer sign-up form. You can also contact Diane Hively at (303) 319-3062.

About RMVR: Rocky Mountain Vintage Racing, a non-profit organization, is celebrating its 25th Anniversary this year. The club is dedicated to organizing, producing, and sanctioning vintage car races in the Rocky Mountain region.

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