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OFFICIAL 2024 QSAC PAVED NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP RACE FORMAT AND ITINERARY

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Welcome to the OFFICIAL 2024 MENNARE AEROSPORTS QSAC PAVED NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP RACE FORMAT AND ITINERARY

1. OVERVIEW

For 2024, QSAC will continue with the general theme of the Paved National Championship week that was started in 2017.

The 2024 QSAC Paved National Championship will be comprised of three, separate races; two preliminary "seeding" races leading into a grand finale. While each race throughout the week will see a winner crowned, the 2022 QSAC Paved National Champions (one from each class) will be determined by the driver that amasses the most points throughout the week.

In addition to crowning the 2024 QSAC Paved National Champions for each class, QSAC will be awarding the QSAC Cup to a group of racers from a representative QSAC sanctioned track. The guidelines for participating and awarding the QSAC Cup for the 2024 QSAC Paved National Championship remain the same as 2019. To be considered for the QSAC Cup, a QSAC sanctioned track must have a minimum of four (4) entries in the Paved National Championship. The four entries could be from two racers, but that is the minimum number of entries required for a QSAC sanctioned track to be in the running for the QSAC Cup. In the interest of including as many racers as possible, if the minimum number of racers is exceeded by all participating tracks, the lowest common denominator will be used for entries (example: if there are five tracks that meet the minimum, and the lowest number of entries from those tracks is seven (7), then seven entries will be used from each track in tallying the total points). Through making this change, this gets away from the QSAC Cup being an attendance award, and will put the emphasis on overall results for the week. This will definitely be "bragging rights" for the year.

The two preliminary races will follow a race format of one heat race and mains. In 2019, we bid a farewell to the "Larry Hopson Pill Draw" or random sort to set the heat races. Instead, Tuesday's Preliminary race, will have the heat race set by using a racer's fastest lap turned in the second controlled practice session on Monday afternoon. Wednesday's Preliminary race will have the heat race set by the final finishing order from Tuesday's Preliminary race. Following the heat race for the two Preliminary Races, mains will be run. The Finale will be mains only. The starting line-up/field for the Finale is described in detail later in this announcement.

Tie-breakers for the overall National Championship will be broken based on the following, in this order:

- 1. Finishing Positions in the Mains if still tied, then:
- 2. Finishing Positions in the Qualifiers if still tied, then:
- 3. Fastest Lap in the Mains.

Tie-breakers for starting positions in the Preliminary Race #1:

- 1. Fastest lap turned in the second controlled practice on Monday afternoon if still tied, then:
- 2. Fastest lap turned in the Heat Race if still tied, then:
- 3. Second fastest lap turned in the Heat Race, etc., etc.

Tie-breakers for starting positions in the Preliminary Race #2:

- 1. Final finishing position from the Tuesday Mains if still tied, then:
- 2. Fastest lap turned in the Heat Race if still tied, then:
- 3. Second fastest lap turned in the Heat Race, etc., etc.

Setting the field for the starting line-up for the Friday Finale:

The Preliminary Winners from each class on both Tuesday and Wednesday will "lock-in" a starting spot in the Friday Finale "A" Main.

While the winners from Preliminary Race #1 and Preliminary Race #2 will not earn P1 or P2 based on their respective race wins. However, they WILL be guaranteed a starting spot in the Friday Finale "A" Main.

If the "A" main winners from either Preliminary Race #1 or Preliminary Race #2 do not earn enough points to place themselves in the top six in points, they will start P9 and P10 for the Friday Finale and P5 through P8 will be the "bump-up" racers from the "B" main.

"A" Main Qualifiers, if the Preliminary Race #1 and Preliminary Race #2 winners DO NOT earn enough points to be in the top six for the Friday Finale:

P1: 1st in points from Prelim #1 and #2 combined
P2: 2nd in points from Prelim #1 and #2 combined
P3: 3rd in points from Prelim #1 and #2 combined
P4: 4th in points from Prelim #1 and #2 combined
P5: "B" Main Winner from Finale
P6: "B" Main #2 finisher from Finale
P7: "B" Main #3 Finisher from Finale
P8: "B" Main #4 Finisher from Finale
P9: Preliminary Race #1 winner
P10: Preliminary Race #2 winner

"A" Main Qualifiers, if the Preliminary Race #1 and Preliminary Race #2 winners DO earn enough points to be in the top six for the Friday Finale:

P1: 1st in points from Prelim #1 and #2 combined P2: 2nd in points from Prelim #1 and #2 combined P3: 3rd in points from Prelim #1 and #2 combined P4: 4th in points from Prelim #1 and #2 combined P5: 5th in points from Prelim #1 and #2 combined P6: 6th in points from Prelim #1 and #2 combined P7: "B" Main Winner from Finale P8: "B" Main #2 finisher from Finale P9: "B" Main #3 Finisher from Finale P10: "B" Main #4 Finisher from Finale

All mains, all week, will start a maximum of 10 race cars.

Points will be awarded in descending order from 100 (1st, 100; 2nd 99, 3rd 98; etc. etc.) for each of the three races final results.

The 2024 QSAC Paved National Championships will be awarded to the driver, in each class, that accumulates the most points throughout all three events.

Trophies will be awarded to the top three finishers in Preliminary Race #1, Preliminary Race #2, and the Friday Finale.

2024 QSAC National Championship trophies will be awarded to the top five finishers overall finishers in each class; ECM, Grand National, Limited Sportsman, Sportsman, 305 Sprint Car, Sprint Car, and Super-Truck.

2. RACE PROCEDURE BULLET POINTS:

FIVE MINUTE RULE – DEFINITION AND OVERVIEW

- This is a provision for a grace period prior to the start of any MAIN throughout the QSAC Paved National Championship.
- Each main that is run will have the allowance for one (1) call or request for a five (5) minute grace period.
- The call or request for a five minute grace period may be made at any point prior to the dropping of the green flag of the race.
- Only one (1) call or request for a five minute grace period is allowed per main.
- EXAMPLE: If racer "1" requests a five minute grace period and something happens to racer "2" after the initial five minute call, racer "2" will not be allowed to call or request a second five minute grace period for the given main.

• INCLEMENT WEATHER

- While we have a provision to shift/move a race day or days to occupy the open day on Thursday, the intention is to complete a given day's program on the same day. Our strong preference is to NOT CARRY OVER a given day's event to the next day. In fairness, there are far too many scenarios to outline here; the intent is to document our intention to do our best to NOT CARRY, if at all possible.
- If we are forced to call a day's events, the final finishing order will be determined based on where the races have been completed at that point (example: if the qualifying heats have been completed, final finishing order will be based off of those results).

END OF RACE / CAUTION

- If there is a caution within the last three (3) laps of any race, the race will end under caution.
- NOTE: There are NO GUARANTEES that a race will receive the green flag if there is a caution outside of the last three laps; that will depend greatly on the racers getting organized and lined-up for a restart.
- Racers being attentive and following direction from the race director will be crucial to eliminate as many caution laps as possible.

3. PRE-RACE TECH INSPECTION OVERVIEW:

- A pre-race tech station and necessary tools will be available and accessible for all competitors to use to evaluate legality of their race car(s).
- LPR track crew members (and the National Tech Director) will be available for questions and verification, if and when needed.
- A designated LPR track crew member will go around the pits to "seal"/"sticker" each race; this will be the extent of prerace tech inspection for the week.
- Verification of the engine seal/sticker is required prior to being able to participate in the controlled practice sessions starting on Monday, June 3th.
- NOTE: In the case of a RF tire NOT having a wear indicator mark, verification and approval must be received from the National Tech Director before the tire can be used in competition during the week.

4. ENTRY FEE PRICING OVERVIEW:

- Entry fee, per event: \$50 (this is for the individual that shows up the day of the race or the day before one of the events during the week).
- Entry fee, per event, IF PREREGISTERED: \$35 (this is for the individual that would only attend two of the three events).
- Entry fee for all three events, IF PREREGISTERED: \$100
- Fuel fee: \$20 per class (flat rate/figure, no discounts); this is in addition to the race entry fee(s).
- Multiple class discount(s): \$10 reduction in Entry Cost, per each additional class
 - Example: Racer X pre-registers for four classes, for all four races:
 - Entry Cost(s): \$100 (1st class), \$90 (2nd class), \$90 (3rd class), and \$90 (4th class), \$370 total
 - Fuel Cost(s): \$20 (1st class), \$20 (2nd class), \$20 (3rd class), and \$20 (4th class), \$80 total

PLEASE NOTE: as previously announced, pre-registration for the 2024 QSAC Paved National Championship is open and available through May 1st, 2022.

5. LAP COUNTS FOR ALL EVENTS DURING THE QSAC PAVED NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

• Heat Race Count (one or two rounds) and Lap Counts will be determined as we get closer to the event and have an idea of registration counts.

ALL HEAT RACES, FOR ALL CLASSES WILL BE **TBD** LAPS

CLASS	FEATURE	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	FRIDAY
ECM	A MAIN	100	100	150
	B MAIN	75	75	75
	C MAIN	50	50	50
	D MAIN	50	50	50
GRAND NATIONAL	A MAIN	150	150	225
	B MAIN	75	75	125
	C MAIN	50	50	50
	D MAIN	50	50	50
LIMITED SPORTSMAN	A MAIN	100	100	125
	B MAIN	75	75	75
	C MAIN	50	50	50
	D MAIN	50	50	50
SPORTSMAN	A MAIN	150	150	180
	B MAIN	75	75	100
	C MAIN	50	50	50
	D MAIN	50	50	50
305 SPRINT CAR & SPRINT CAR	A MAIN	100	100	150
	B MAIN	75	75	75
	C MAIN	50	50	50
	D MAIN	50	50	50
TRUCK	A MAIN	100	100	150
	B MAIN	75	75	75
	C MAIN	50	50	50
	D MAIN	50	50	50

6. SCHEDULE AND ITINERARY FOR THE 2024 QSAC PAVED NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

• SATURDAY, JUNE 1st:

Host facility is open to allow racers to claim pit spots, and set-up their respective pit areas. Track and facility are closed.

• SUNDAY, JUNE 2nd:

Host facility is open to allow racers to claim pit spots, and set-up their respective pit areas. A pre-race tech station and tools will be available from 9:00 AM until 6:00 PM. 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM - Track will be open for UNCONTROLLED practice. **NOTE:** while the uncontrolled practice sessions will NOT be monitored, they will be broken down into time allotments

for each class. Duration and class sequence will be available upon arrival at Lagoon Park Raceway.

9:00 PM - Track will remain closed for the remainder of the day.

PLEASE NOTE: all racers must be registered for the event prior to being allowed on the race track.

• MONDAY, JUNE 3rd:

Registration is open from 8:00 AM until 10:00 AM.

Open, uncontrolled practice from 9:00 AM until 10:50 AM.

A pre-race tech station and tools will be available from 9:00 AM until 9:00 PM.

NOTE: <u>ALL</u> racers <u>MUST</u> be registered and have an event participation sticker (included in each racer's registration packet) placed on their race car prior to being allowed to participate in controlled practice session(s); THIS ALSO INCLUDES a PRE-RACE TECH ENGINE STICKER.

NOTE: the event participation sticker is NOT a pre-race tech inspection approval sticker; it is only a sticker to acknowledge that a given racer/vehicle has been registered for the event.

Controlled practice from 11:00 AM until complete; practice will be broken into two (2) rounds of controlled sessions, differentiating between ECM, Grand National, Limited Sportsman, Sportsman, 305 Sprint Car, Sprint Car, and Super-Truck (class order to be set at the beginning of the event on Monday per LPR's direction).

NOTE: The second round of controlled practice will be used to set-up the heat race line-ups for Tuesday's races; this will be accomplished by using the fastest lap from each racer in the second round of controlled practice. After the two rounds, practice will continue but will be "OPEN" or uncontrolled.

Track will be shut-down at 5:00 PM.

Parade of Cars at 5:15 PM followed by dinner provided by TBD and a town hall meeting at 6:00 PM. Following the town hall meeting, the track will re-open for "OPEN" or uncontrolled practice until 9:00 PM. Giveaways will also be provided to the racers during the evening.

• TUESDAY, JUNE 4th:

Preliminary Race #1 of the 2024 QSAC Paved National Championship 8:30 AM: Driver's Meeting and National Anthem 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM: One (1) Round of Heat Races 1:00 – 1:30 PM: Track Closed while Mains are being set-up 1:30 PM: Mains start If time allows... Track is open for UNCONTROLLED practice until 9:00 PM The finishing order from the Tuesday Mains will be used to establish the heat race line-ups for Wednesday's race program (1st place starts #1 in heat race #1; 2nd place starts #1 in heat race #2; etc., etc.).

• WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5th:

Preliminary Race #2 of the 2024 QSAC Paved National Championship 8:30 AM: Driver's Meeting and National Anthem 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM: One (1) Round of Heat Races 1:00 – 1:30 PM: Track Closed while Mains are being set-up 1:30 PM: Mains start If time allows... Track is open for UNCONTROLLED practice until 9:00 PM

• THURSDAY, JUNE 6th:

No formal competition. Track is will be available for "OPEN" or uncontrolled practice from 9:00 AM - 9:00 PM. Some possible considerations for the off-day:

- Montgomery Zoo (a time to monkey around), 10 minutes from LPR
- Montgomery Biscuits Minor League Baseball (game on Thursday)
- Barber Motorsports Museum (Barber Motorsports Park), in Birmingham, AL
- Motorsports Hall of Fame, Talladega, AL
- Wind Creek Casino
- Maxwell Air Force Base Museum
- Civil Rights Museum
- Lagoon Park Golf Course

• FRIDAY, JUNE 7th:

2024 QSAC Paved National Championship Finale! Mains Only!

Late entry racers are still eligible to participate, but will start at the lowest starting spot in the lowest main. In the case of multiple racers entering late, they will be placed at the bottom, with the earliest entered getting placed in the order in which they entered.

8:30 AM: Driver's Meeting and National Anthem

9:00 AM: Mains will be run until completion

AFTER THE COMPLETION OF ALL MAINS:

Upon completion of Tech Inspection, Awards will be presented for all three events; Tuesday Preliminary Race #1, Wednesday Preliminary Race #2, and the Friday Finale, followed by the presentation of the 2024 QSAC Paved National Championship awards.

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