



Motorsports for Hard Working American Families

2018 BEGINNER GUIDE

You can have a Life, a Family and be a Racer!



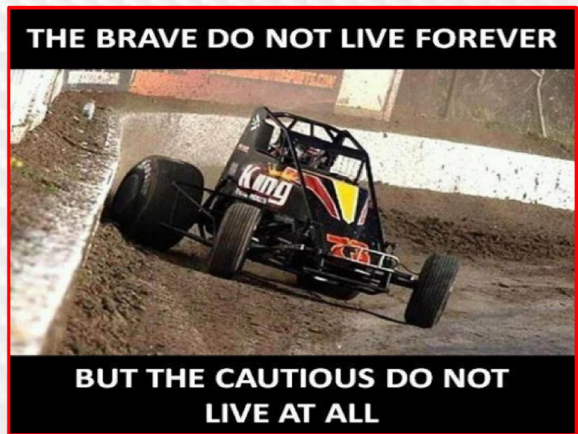
WHY DO WE RACE OR MORE IMPORTANTLY WHY WOULD YOU WANT TO?

*There are more reasons than I could list
here but it boils down to 3*

- Excitement – dirt track racing is by far the best adrenalin rush you could get and still be at work on Monday.
- Family – the local dirt tracks are one big family where everyone looks out for one another. Not to mention the time you will rally around the racer in your family and cheer them on.
- Accomplishment – Racers are always pushing themselves. For a win, for knowledge to be faster, for better skills to run their racing “business.” Every aspect of this sport teaches life skills and allows us to see inside ourselves. What we’re made of...

WHAT ARE YOU MADE OF?

Have you ever looked your fears in the eye and not backed down? Have you ever been beyond a limit that most will never even find? Do you truly know your limits?



I doubt it. We do. We know because we push them every weekend. Truth be told you are WAY safer in a race car than in a passenger car but tell that to the guy in the picture above. He knows his limits and he pushes them. It's about knowing your alive. 40+ hours a week you are a responsible adult. Friday night? You get to be a ROCK STAR! And when you sign your first autograph and you see the gleam in that kid's eye as he looks at you like a super hero... you'll know what your made of too.

WHY NORTHERN RENEGADES? SHOULDN'T I GET A BEGINNER CAR?

The reality is that there is no such thing unless you are a child or teenager. (See JR Renegade Motorsports Camp) Pure Stocks and Hornets are intended to fill this roll and here is why they don't. They cost too much. Now before you discount that statement consider this- You need to find the right kind of car, know the right tricks and invest in stock "appearing" parts. The tracks do their best to police cheating and by all accounts it is minimal. What isn't minimal dollar wise is that you cannot buy an inexpensive used winning car. If it is winning then it's not for sale or its not cheap. So, your left with getting an affordable used race ready car (which is a good way to start) and learning, or building a new one, without all the tips and tricks you need to compete. Then when you are ready, you sell that car and buy or build a winning car, now that you know some of the tricks. Two race cars, one purpose.

Sprint cars are different. 1 investment in a used car with descent parts, a process we will walk you through step by step, and you have all that you will need to win down the road. Sprint car design hasn't changed for 20+ years so old or new, your sprint car CAN win.

YES, BUT SPRINT CARS ROLL OVER... DON'T THEY?



They sure do - and so does every other type of car. Having rolled multiple types over the years, I can say the sprint car is not as bad as one may think. The cars are light but very strong. You don't have nearly the momentum and mass that you find in other types of cars. You sit in the center of the car, so in the unlikely event of a roll you are not traveling the perimeter of the whole circle the car is making.

Sprint Cars are also substantially cheaper to repair. If you wreck One corner of the front end on a typical full-bodied race car, you're looking at \$600-\$2000 to repair depending on which class. You can replace the WHOLE front end on your sprint car for about \$650.00 and 10 minutes of your time. That's both sides! And again, you're safer in your sprint car then your passenger car. Wingless cars nationwide have the lowest caution rates of any of the full-size classes. Which brings up our next point-

ARE YOU IN SHAPE? YOU WILL BE...

Intense. There is no other way to describe what its like behind the wheel of a wingless sprint car. A very high power to weight ratio, lap times as fast as late models and your very own work out program? Yes on all counts. If you are not exhausted when you get out of the car after the feature, you are not going fast enough. These cars literally wear you out in a good way. Your mental focus and physical reations will become lightning quick as you adapt to this new, hyper adrenaline filled enviroment. Besides we could all use a little more exercise right?

CHECK PLEASE!

Does it ever bother you when people use money and spending statistics and then try to justify it with phrases like “inflation adjusted” and “think of the money you will save in the long run”. Us too, and while it is very true that “inflation” must be used when comparing money value over time, that doesn’t ease the pain we all feel paying for everyday life. It is also true that gas is actually way cheaper “by volume” (here we go again) then bottled water, you still must purchase a lot of it. My point is that a \$10,000 engine might seem very affordable to those that currently have \$20,000+ engines, it is NOT affordable to regular working people. They can stick that ideology up their... pipes and smoke it. Bottom line, you can have complete race ready sprint car, for under \$10k... Did I mention that we pay \$125 to start the feature? I’m sure you can do the math on investment vs return.



SOUNDS GREAT, BUT...

We know, we all had the same questions. What if the class doesn't last? What if someone gets all brand new stuff? Isn't it just a matter of time until someone wealthy starts to "buy" speed? What if I want to race more?

The green car you see is a 2000 Maxim Chassis, the black car is a 2017 XXX Chassis. Now if you look at the results for last season you will see that the black car won the points while the green car finished 3rd in points. So obviously a new car is better. Right? Keep reading...



Yes, there are some skilled and experienced drivers in the fray. Harry Hanson, Caley Emerson and Paul Schultz have all had varying degrees of success in late model and modified divisions. Should that be a deterrent for you to get racing? Absolutely not! Harry's 2017 xxx chassis(Black Car)uses the EXACT same tech as Caley's(Green Car) 2000 Maxim Chassis. Schultz's 2007 Maxim does as well. We also have a 2007 J&J chassis and a 2010 Blackhawk that will be out this year as well. So your going to have the same level of car as anyone else no matter what you get. Their wheel experience may help them stay out of trouble a little better than others is about all thats amounts to. Beside being great competitors they are likely to become some of your biggest fans. They will be happy to help you with driving tips, set up help and parts in a pinch to get you racing and performing better.

And did I mention the CT525 will no longer be legal in the Northern Renegades? If you don't know what that means, good. Don't worry about it.

Will this class last? Of course it will. There are over 40 cars in southern Mn and Wi that have been built to run with the UMSS. Our rules are identical their their rules and our schedule will be made to allow our racers to run with them as much as they please. This would allow you to potentially get up to 30+ nights in. The UMSS is a sprint car league based out of Cedar Lake Speedway but they will have races as far North as Ogilvie. They started with 4 cars 6 years ago. Not to mention your car is legal for the Jackson Motorplex in Jackson MN and there is another association being started in the Eastern Dakotas. This class makes sense!

Will we be weekly ever? NO. This is a foreign concept among racers but hear me out. It is okay to be a serious racer, a parent, a business person or employee, a cabin owner, a boat owner, a camping enthusieist and whatever else all at once. You DO NOT have to race 4 nights a week! You will never see a point fund in the UMSS or the Northern Renegades. We don't want you to be compeilled to make irrational choices and race all the time. We want you to have a life. A family life, a racing life, a working life, whatever you want. This is about FUN! These cars take very little time week to week so you have more of your time. Of course you can spend more time in the shop on them but you don't HAVE to. And the beauty is that with your minimal investment you won't feel pressured to race all the time.

Beside, what's better than spending the evening with a few hundred friends and playing with your hot wheels in a huge sandbox? Yeah we can't think of anything either!!

BUT I DON'T KNOW THE FIRST THING ABOUT SPRINT CARS...

Sure you do, you know you want to drive one. The rest is very easy. Please see the back page of this guide for all the resources and contact information you may need. We demand only one thing from you to be a Renegade. Is it a licence fee? No. Is it a bunch of product stickers and patches for your suit? No. Is it that you purchase some part from a specific company because its “safer” when clearly we are just padding our pockets like some other local series may be doing? NO and NO (it deserves 2) To join us you must have FUN. If your not in it for a good time you ot to stay out in the first place.

ITS MORE THAN AN EXPERIENCE

When the Renegades come to town, we expect to make the track alive with excitement. The other racers are jealous when they see us laughing and joking. We hope to bring out the best in every race track and fan. We want to make coming to our race an “experience” for the whole family. From our Kids Club, to our pit tours, meet the drivers and much, much more. The Northern Renegades is racing as it used to be, as it should be. Come to a race, see the atmosphere. Ask a Renegade about his car and they are lible to tell you how little they have in it. Ask a non sprint racer and they will tell you how much they have into it.

**BIG
DREAMS
START
SMALL**



IT IS OUR MISSION TO BRING FAMILIES TOGETHER THROUGH MOTORSPORTS.

To that end we present to you the Jr Renegades Kids Club.

- o No membership fee (only a donation to a charity if you would like)
- o Kids receive a free t-shirt
- o Free Guided Pit Tour(s)
- o Students become eligible for scholarships
- o Time to meet and greet with the drivers
- o Enter in a drawing to try out our quarter midgets in front of the crowd at intermission
- o Family discounts at local stores
- o The Flagman Fantasy experience
- o Kids Spotlight
- o Announcer for the Evening program

SPRINT CAR RESOURCE GUIDE

Kustom Sprint Cars- (Newton, Iowa) Carl (515) 864-6551

Used and Consignment sprint car parts

- o TCB Speed North (Wyoming, MN) - www.tcbspeed.com (612) 919-1221
- o Lou Fegers Racing Equipment- (Delano, Minnesota) Sara or Mike 1-800-328-3618
- o Speedway Motors 1-800-979-0122
- o Maxim Racing Inc- (Springfield IL) Dan (217) 544-7015
- o XXX Race Cars 1-866-632-9925
- o Hoosier Tire North- (Rogers, Mn) (763) 428-8780
- o UMSS (Upper Midwest Sprint car Series) Ron (612) 363-5302
- o Northern Renegade Sprint Car Series – Caley (218) 398-7807
- o TRC Race Cars- (Hibbing, Mn) Mark (218) 969-5362
- o Schultz Racing- (Grand Rapids, Mn) John (218) 326-3950
- o Emerson Motorsports- (Grand Rapids, Mn) Caley (218) 398-7807
- o Adams Race Engines- (Cameron, WI) Dave (715) 458-2985
- o Horsethief Race Engines- (Grand Rapids, Mn) Harry (218) 326-0905
- o Grand Rapids Speedway- Tim (218) 326-1218
- o Rick Kobs (715) 690-5778
- o Carquest Auto Parts (Grand Rapids, Mn) Porkchop (218) 326-3451
- o Carquest Auto Parts (Hibbing, Mn) JR (218) 263-3649
- o Indiana Open Wheel – www.indianaopenwheel.com
- o Hoseheads Sprint Car Classifieds – www.hoseheads.com
- o Racing Junk – www.racingjunk.com
- o Steve Smith Autosports – www.ssapubl.com