



## President's Report

June 2024

We are less than two weeks away from our second race weekend — I'm looking forward to seeing everyone at the track! Our third event of the year is just two weeks after that, on July 19–21. We are hoping to see everyone at both events, and we're excited to offer the following package deal: **for every \$500 you spend on MSR for CRA Round 2 (July 5–7), you will receive \$100 off your MSR bill for CRA Round 3 (July 19–21)!**

The CRA would like to extend a huge thank-you to everyone who volunteered and helped make the MotoAmerica event at BIR a success. From race stewards to corner workers to booth volunteers to racers, our club members were out in force and served as excellent ambassadors to the CRA.

We need to continue our hard work on reversing the trend of lower volunteer registration numbers for CRA events. We saw several track-opening delays in May due to corner worker shortages. We need your help: volunteer, work a corner, bring a friend, attend a committee meeting.

Finally, please consider volunteering for one of our committees: Marketing, Volunteer, Racer, Finance, Infrastructure, or Race Day Operations. All are welcome and time commitments are flexible. E-mail us at [info@cra-mn.com](mailto:info@cra-mn.com) to sign up or for more information.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ike Messmore'.

Ike Messmore  
President



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# Upcoming Events

Mon. June 24 7-8 pm	<b>Racer Committee Meeting</b> (via Google Meet) <a href="https://meet.google.com/kva-ohjw-wiw">meet.google.com/kva-ohjw-wiw</a>
Tues. July 2 7-7:30 pm	<b>Membership Meeting</b> (via Google Meet) <a href="https://meet.google.com/zbj-khoh-cjj">meet.google.com/zbj-khoh-cjj</a> Invitation will also be emailed prior to meeting
July 4-7	<b>CRA Event #2 - Competition Course</b> <a href="#">Brainerd International Raceway</a> 5523 Birchdale Rd, Brainerd, MN 56401
July 18-21	<b>CRA Event #3 - Competition Course</b> <a href="#">Brainerd International Raceway</a> 5523 Birchdale Rd, Brainerd, MN 56401
Tues. Aug 6 7-7:30 pm	<b>BOD and Membership Meeting</b> (via Google Meet) <a href="https://meet.google.com/zbj-khoh-cjj">meet.google.com/zbj-khoh-cjj</a> Invitation will also be emailed prior to meeting

A complete list of upcoming events can be found at the [CRA's website](#).

## 2024 Season Schedule:

**May 3-5**

**July 5-7**

**July 19-21 (RevFest)**

**Aug. 30-Sept. 1**

**Sept. 20-22**

At Brainerd International Raceway's  
Competition Course

# CRA Racers and Volunteers Represent at MotoAmerica @ BIR

Yet again, CRA stood out as a great partner welcoming and supporting the MotoAmerica event at Brainerd International Raceway.

With thousands of spectators in attendance, our CRA members did not disappoint – whether staffing our CRA booth, working corners, or checking for tire stickers in the hot pit, or sweating over what seems like endless air fence installs and take downs, our volunteers stepped up to ensure a great experience for all.

And of course, our CRA racers filled the field with great results and even more impressive lap times. Take a look and congratulate our racers as well as register to compete with them at our next CRA event!

Racer	#	Class	Race 1	Race 2	Best Lap
Justin Miest	47	Superbike	P19	P17	1:34.191
		Stock 1000	P12	P9	1:34.425
Jake Vandal	18	Supersport	P20	DNF	1:37.394
P.R. Stafki	114	Stock 1000	P23	P21	1:38.275
Graham Williams	247	Twins Cup	P13	P12	1:43.471
Nathan Jessup	418	Twins Cup	P14	P11	1:43.887
Brett Donahue	10	Twins Cup	DNF	DNF	
Drew Vandal	198	Twins Cup	DNF	DNF	







# July race weekends are going to be



Registration for the first July race weekend is up and open for volunteers and racers alike! Standby for an amazing weekend! We're bringing back more fun than we've seen for a while. **BONFIRE ANYONE!!!** If you've been waiting to see some of the fun that the CRA has been known for, get signed up and be a part of our race staff or join in on some racing!

The July Round 1, 2024 event is taking place on the Competition Course at Brainerd International Raceway and will feature Double Sprints.

Racer registration for July Round 1 is open now:

[MSReg.com/CRAJulyRound12024Racer](https://MSReg.com/CRAJulyRound12024Racer)

Volunteer registration for July Round 1 is open now:

[MSReg.com/CRAJulyRound12024Volunteer](https://MSReg.com/CRAJulyRound12024Volunteer)

Power pass raffle registration is open now:

[MSReg.com/CRAJulyRound12024Power](https://MSReg.com/CRAJulyRound12024Power)

July Round 1 Event Schedule:

<https://www.cra-mn.com/.../05/July-1-2024-Official-1.pdf>



# MS River Road Run

*Carl Wieman and Natalie Ostrom*



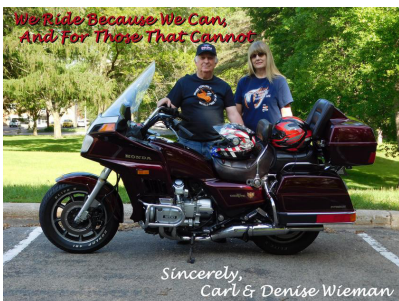
The MS River Road Run, is a scenic, 2-day motorcycle ride raising money for the MS Society. This year marks the 39th year of the MS River Road Run and is held August 17 & 18, 2024. The ride starts at Leo's South in Lakeville heading through eastern Minnesota and into Wisconsin on the great scenic Alphabet roads. A lunch stop is hosted at Roostertail Bar & Grill in Durand, WI. The ride ends for the night at Riverport Inn &

Suites in Winona where riders and guests enjoy a Banquet with Silent and Live Auction to help raise money for the MS Society.

This is NOT a follow-the-leader ride. All riders start at Leo's at 9am, with many forming small groups or ride on their own for a total of 213 miles on Saturday. A route booklet with turn-by-turn directions is provided and the route is fully marked with orange MS RRR signs. This year we will also offer a route map to follow on your digital device. The riders are followed by sweep vehicles and safety information is provided to all riders.

The host hotel for the night is the Express Suites Riverport Conference & Event Center. A discount for rooms is provided to the MS RRR riders (information on the MS RRR website). A more direct route back to the Twin Cities is planned for the Sunday if riders choose to follow it.

All sizes and styles of bikes are welcome as well as cars. We accept riders on 2, 3 or 4 wheels! Pictured are Denise and Carl Wieman, who started riding and fund raising for the MS RRR in 2002 and have not missed a year since. Together, they have raised over \$103,000 for the fight against Multiple Sclerosis. Over the past 39 years, the MS River Road Run has raised over \$2.3 million!



For more details to Register and Ride, sponsor, donate, or contact to volunteer go to [www.msriverroadrun.org](http://www.msriverroadrun.org). For assistance to help with your fund raising for the ride, click on the Fund Raising tab. You can also contact Carl at [deniseandcarl@yahoo.com](mailto:deniseandcarl@yahoo.com).



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# Join a Committee!

This year there are more opportunities than ever to get involved with the CRA. The club has created six committees to help advance its strategic priorities, meet its measurable goals, and harness the amazing resources of this all-volunteer organization. The committees will meet approximately once a month (virtually) and are looking for volunteers of all backgrounds and interests. **Time commitments are flexible.** Please consider volunteering for one of the committees below by e-mailing [info@cra-mn.com](mailto:info@cra-mn.com).

## **1. Marketing and Communications Committee:**

**What:** A working group focused on CRA's marketing and messaging both to the membership and to the public. Think social media, the website, advertising, and promotional campaigns.

**Why:** To help deliver and be recognized as the best racing experience in the Midwest and to help provide transparent and engaging member communications.

**Who:** Lexi Borchert (Sponsor), and members

## **2. Race Day Operations Committee:**

**What:** A working group focused on the nuts and bolts of our race day operations. Think race schedules, track plans, and operational improvements.

**Why:** To help deliver and be recognized as the best racing experience in the Midwest.

**Who:** Dawn Olsen (Sponsor), and members

## **3. Racer Growth, Retention, and Engagement:**

**What:** A working group focused on our racers. Think initiatives to grow the racer base, increase participation, reach new demographics, retain existing racers, and align with other clubs.

**Why:** To help grow, retain, and engage our racer base.

**Who:** Mike Williams (Sponsor) and members

#### **4. Volunteer Growth, Retention, and Engagement:**

**What:** A working group focused on our volunteers. Think initiatives to grow the volunteer base, increase participation, reach new demographics, and value and retain existing volunteers.

**Why:** To help grow, retain, and engage our volunteer base.

**Who:** Brian Hebeisen (Sponsor) and members

#### **5. Finance:**

**What:** A working group focused on our money. Think creation and tracking of budgets, initiatives increase revenue and decrease costs, and creation of annual reports.

**Why:** To help create and sustain financial stability and transparency.

**Who:** Greg Seppelt (Sponsor) and members

#### **6. Organization Infrastructure Committee:**

**What:** A working group focused on the structure of our club. Think refinement of committee structure, succession planning, procedural documentation, and emergency/contingency planning.

**Why:** To help define and refine sustainable organizational structure.

**Who:** Mike Williams (Sponsor) and members

Please consider volunteering for a committee by sending an e-mail to

[info@cra-mn.com](mailto:info@cra-mn.com).

Thank you!



# May Weekend Highlights

courtesy of Cat's Eye Photography



# Remember Specialty Awards?!

Me either. That's why I'm posting them now to save you from wracking your brain at the end of the season. As we move through this year, keep thinking about who might fit the bill for each of these specialty awards. (I recommend maybe making a little note to yourself each weekend so you don't forget when voting season comes around, but, you do you.)

## **Captain Hazelwood**

Named after the hapless American sailor convicted of negligent discharge of oil following the Exxon Valdez oil spill in 1989, this award is given to the racer who best channels the spirit of Joseph Hazelwood by absolutely slathering the track with oil.

## **Most Improved Novice**

This goes to the novice rider who has improved the most this season.

## **Most Improved Expert**

This goes to the expert rider who has improved the most this season.

## **Pickled Piston**

The Pickled Piston award is given each year to the racer who contributes the most motors to the great scrap heap in the sky.

## **Ride of the Year**

The Ride of the Year award is traditionally given to the most impressive, cleanest, or best-looking bike or pit area in the paddock.



## **Sportsman of the Year**

The Sportsman of the Year award is given to the member who most embodies our club's core values through a commitment to the betterment of the sport, a willingness to help others, and overall sportsmanship.

## **Tuner of the Year**

Who has tuned the best/most bikes on the grid this year?

## **Rookie of the Year**

This goes to the new rider who has wow'd us the most this season.

## **Where Did They Come From?**

Someone is/has done something so "out there" that it makes you think, "where did they come from?"

## **Worker of the Year**

Our volunteers are the best, but who has really gone above and beyond this season?

## **Paul Rose "Golden Poo" Award**

It's a high honor (dishonor) among the corner captains. The Paul Rose "Golden Poo" award was created to recognize the person who has the most chaos on their corners throughout the race season. Paul Rose is simply the guy whose trophy we repurposed (LOL). The "shit magnet" award is given to the person in charge on a corner who attends to the most incidents during the race season. It can be a corner captain, captain in training, or even a worker in charge.



# Board of Director Nominations

**Attention all members! At the end of the 2024 race season, there will be 2 open positions on the Board of Directors.**

The BoD is comprised of 7 individuals filling the following positions:

- **President**
- **Vice President**
- **Treasurer**
- **Secretary**
- **Membership**
- **Racer Liaison**
- **Worker Liaison**

Elected BoD members commit to a 3-year term and can be re-elected to a 2nd term. These are essential positions to keep our club running. We still have lots of time but, please consider running or nominating someone you think would be a great candidate!

# 2024 Membership

The [2024 CRA Membership Drive](#) is currently open and will remain open through out the 2024 season

## Membership Pricing For 2024

Membership	Price*
Racer Membership • Includes Competition License	\$130.00 +tax
Single Weekend Reciprocating License • <i>Does not include voting rights</i>	\$35.00 +tax
Standard Membership	\$30.00 +tax
Vendor/Business Member • <i>Does not include voting rights</i>	\$30.00 +tax
Volunteer Membership	FREE

\*All prices shown on MotorsportReg include sales tax at a rate of 8.375%

Please note that ALL racers & volunteers must complete their membership BEFORE they are allowed to participate in a CRA event at Brainerd International Raceway.

## Renew Your AMA Membership For 2024

The CRA is a  sanctioned organization.

In accordance with *AMA rules* all racers are required to hold and provide proof of [AMA membership](#) before they are allowed to compete. Proof of membership will be requested at the race registration window prior to receiving your racer wristband.

# Power Pass Raffle

## Register to win free Power

The CRA will be raffling off 10 power passes for each of our race weekends in 2024.



Register for the raffles at:

[CRA July Round 1 Power Pass Raffle](#)

[CRA July Round 2 Power Pass Raffle](#)

This raffle is only available to CRA members.  
Complete your membership at

[www.MSReg.com/CRAMembership2024](http://www.MSReg.com/CRAMembership2024)





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# May Weekend Highlights

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# Registration

The July Round 1 race weekend of the 2024 season is quickly approaching and the CRA will be hosting Double Sprints on the Competition Course.

## July Round 1, 2024 Race Registration Dates

Early Bird Registration	8am, June 15 <sup>th</sup>	Midnight, June 29 <sup>th</sup>
Post Early Bird Registration	Midnight, June 29 <sup>th</sup>	8:30am, July 7 <sup>th</sup>

## July Round 1, 2024 Race Pricing

Product	Early Bird Price*	Post Early Bird Price*
Racer Wristband	\$108.00 +tax	\$108.00 +tax
Friday Practice: Full	\$93.00 +tax	\$108.00 +tax
Friday Practice: Half	\$83.00 +tax	\$83.00 +tax
Sprint Races	\$47.00 +tax	\$67.00 +tax
Transponder Rental	\$50.00 +tax	\$50.00 +tax

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July Event Schedule:

[July Round 1 Race Schedule](#)

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<b>Race Registration Schedule</b>		
Thursday, July 4	Race Registration/Wristbands/Full Day Friday Practice Wristbands	6:30pm - 8:00pm
Friday, July 5	Race Registration/Wristbands/Full Day Friday Practice Wristbands	8:00am - 10:00am
	1/2 Day Practice Wristbands <b>ONLY</b>	1:00pm - 2:00pm
Saturday, July 6	Race Registration/Racer Wristbands	7:30am - 8:30am*
Sunday, July 7	Race Registration/Racer Wristbands	7:30am - 8:30am*
*will close a minimum of 90 minutes prior to first race of the day		
<b>Tech Inspection Schedule</b>		
Thursday, July 4	Tech Barn	7:30pm - 9:00pm
Friday, July 5	Tech Barn	8:00am - 2:00pm*
Saturday, July 6	Tech Barn	7:30am - 10:30am
Sunday, July 7	Tech Barn	8:00am - 10:30am
*closed during lunch break		
<b>New Rider School</b>		
Friday, July 5	Classroom	7:00am - 9:30am
Track Tour & New Riders to Competition Course	Bandshell	9:30am - 9:45am
<b>Other Scheduled Events</b>		
Saturday, July 6		
Contingency Presentation/Worker Award	Bandshell	6:45pm
<b>Race Schedule</b>		
<b>Friday July 5, 2024</b>		
Worker's Meeting	Propane Tank, base of Tower	9:00am
Mandatory Rider's Meeting	Bandshell	9:30am
<b>Open Practice</b>	<b>Slow/Medium/Fast</b>	<b>10:00am - 12:30pm</b>
<b>New Rider's Practice</b>		<b>12:30pm - 1:00pm</b>
Lunch	TBD	1:00pm - 2:00pm
Mandatory Rider's Meeting (1/2 Day practice only)	Bandshell	1:45pm
<b>New Rider's Practice</b>		<b>2:00pm - 2:20pm</b>
<b>Open Practice</b>	<b>Slow/Medium/Fast</b>	<b>2:20pm - 3:45pm</b>
Worker Break/Bike Pick-up		3:45pm - 4:00pm
<b>Open Practice</b>	<b>Slow/Medium/Fast</b>	<b>4:00pm - 5:00pm</b>
<b>New Rider Race</b>	<b>5 laps</b>	<b>5:00pm</b>
<b>Saturday July 6, 2024</b>		
Worker's Meeting	Classroom	8:00am
Mandatory Rider's Meeting	Bandshell	8:30am
<b>Open Practice</b>	<b>Fast/Medium/Slow</b>	<b>9:00am - 9:50am</b>
National Anthem		9:55am
<b>SUPERSPORT SPRINTS (6 Laps)</b>	<b>MW, UL/WW, HW/90, FW, UNL, LW</b>	<b>10:00am - 12:00pm</b>
Lunch	TBD	12:00pm - 1:00pm
<b>SUPERBIKE SPRINTS (6 Laps)</b>	<b>SPMN/STW, MW, UL/WW, HW/90, FW, UNL, LW</b>	<b>1:00pm - 3:15pm</b>
Worker Break/Bike Pick-up		3:15pm - 3:30pm
<b>FORMULA 40 (6 Laps)</b>	<b>F1/F2</b>	<b>3:30pm - 3:50pm</b>
<b>GRAND PRIX SPRINTS (6 Laps)</b>	<b>MW, UL/WW, HW/90, FW, UNL, LW</b>	<b>3:50pm - 5:35pm</b>
<b>Sunday July 7, 2024</b>		
Worker's Meeting	Classroom	8:00am
Mandatory Rider's Meeting	Bandshell	8:30am
<b>Open Practice</b>	<b>Fast/Medium/Slow</b>	<b>9:00am - 9:50am</b>
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# Registration

The July Round 2 race weekend of the 2024 season is quickly approaching and the CRA will be hosting Single Sprints and the Jed Copham Memorial 3 Hour Team Challenge on the Competition Course.

## July Round 2 2024 Race Registration Dates

Early Bird Registration	8am, June 29 <sup>th</sup>	Midnight, July 13 <sup>th</sup>
Post Early Bird Registration	Midnight, July 13 <sup>th</sup>	8:30am, July 21 <sup>st</sup>

## July Round 2 2024 Race Pricing

Product	Early Bird Price*	Post Early Bird Price*
Racer Wristband	\$108.00 +tax	\$108.00 +tax
Friday Practice: Full	\$93.00 +tax	\$108.00 +tax
Friday Practice: Half	\$83.00 +tax	\$83.00 +tax
Sprint Races <sup>(8 Laps)</sup>	\$57.00 +tax	\$67.00 +tax
3 Hour Team Challenge	\$67.00 +tax	\$77.00 +tax
Transponder Rental	\$50.00 +tax	\$50.00 +tax

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Volunteer registration is available at:

[www.MSReg.com/CRAJulyRound22024Volunteer](http://www.MSReg.com/CRAJulyRound22024Volunteer)

Power pass raffle registration is available at:

[www.MSReg.com/CRAJulyRound22024Power](http://www.MSReg.com/CRAJulyRound22024Power)

Event Schedule:

[July Round 2 Race Schedule](#)

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Thursday, July 18	Race Registration/Wristbands/Full Day Friday Practice Wristbands	6:30pm - 8:00pm
Friday, July 19	Race Registration/Wristbands/Full Day Friday Practice Wristbands	8:00am - 10:00am
	1/2 Day Practice Wristbands <b>ONLY</b>	1:00pm - 2:00pm
	3-Hour Team Challenge Registration <b>ONLY</b>	6:00pm - 8:00pm
Saturday, July 20	Race Registration/Racer Wristbands	7:30am - 9:00am*
Sunday, July 21	Race Registration/Racer Wristbands	7:30am - 9:00am*
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Saturday, July 20	Tech Barn	7:30am - 10:30am
Sunday, July 21	Tech Barn	8:00am - 10:30am
		*closed during lunch break
<b>New Rider School</b>		
Friday, July 19	Classroom	7:00am - 9:30am
Track Tour - New Riders and First Time Racers	Bandshell	9:30am - 9:45am
<b>Other Scheduled Events</b>		
Saturday, July 20		
<b>Piribike Race!</b>	<b>Infield</b>	<b>6:15pm</b>
Contingency/Worker Awards	Bandshell	6:45pm
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<b>Friday July 19, 2024</b>		
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Mandatory Rider's Meeting	Bandshell	9:30am
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Worker's Meeting	Classroom	8:00am
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Jed Copham Team Challenge Set-up		12:30pm - 2:00pm
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<b>Sunday July 21, 2024</b>		
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Lunch	Wheelie Bar	12:00pm - 1:00pm
<b>SUPERBIKE SPRINTS Continued (8 Laps)</b>	<b>UNL, LW</b>	<b>1:00pm - 1:45pm</b>
<b>FORMULA 40 (8 Laps)</b>	<b>F1/F2</b>	<b>1:45pm - 2:15pm</b>
<b>GRAND PRIX SPRINTS (8 Laps)</b>	<b>MW, UL/WW, HW/90</b>	<b>2:15pm - 3:30pm</b>
Worker Break/Bike Pick-up		3:30pm - 3:45pm
<b>GRAND PRIX SPRINTS Continued (8 Laps)</b>	<b>FW, UNL, LW</b>	<b>3:45pm - 5:15pm</b>

Schedule Subject to Change  
Times are approximate

BIR Radio  
Competition Course 87.9FM



# Volunteer Points

## What are they, Who gets them, What are they good for?

### What are volunteer worker points?

Volunteer worker points are how the CRA recognizes a volunteer's commitment to the club and awards CRA swag at certain point levels. Volunteer points are also used to track active volunteers, how often they volunteer, and their volunteer specialties.

The club uses this information for a few different purposes.

- Creating the volunteer gate list for each race weekend
- Ensure we have a large volunteer base to staff the race weekends
- Identify specialties that may require additional volunteers

### Who earns volunteer worker points?

Volunteer points are awarded to CRA members who provide their time and effort to support the club. There are 3 general ways to earn points.

- Volunteer during a race weekend
- Volunteer for special events and club positions
- Volunteer referral program



## Earning points during a race weekend

Volunteers can earn up to 7 points per a race weekend, 1 on Thursday, and 1 or 2 points each on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday depending on the specialty and amount of time volunteered.

Day Worked	Points Earned	Specialty Worked*
Thursday	1	Air Fence, Course, IT, Race Registration, Tech Inspection
Friday	1	Hospitality, Race Registration Shifts, Half Day Shifts
	2	Course, F&C, Grid Marshall, Race Control, Safety, Start/Finish
Saturday	1	Hospitality, Race Registration Shifts, Saturday Night Entertainment Lead, Half Day
	2	Shifts Course, F&C, Grid Marshall, Race Control, Safety, Start/Finish
Sunday	1	Hospitality, Race Registration Shifts, Half Day Shifts
	2	Course, F&C, Grid Marshall, Race Control, Safety, Start/Finish

\*A volunteer can only earn a maximum of 2 points per day regardless of specialties worked/time committed.

ie. A full day of corner working and air fence tear down only earns 2 points

## Earning points for special events/club positions\*\*

Points can be earned by volunteering during special events where the CRA has a vendor booth such as the Donnie Smith Bike Show, Flood Run, MotoAmerica, Forgotten Star Brewing Motorcycle night host by The Litas. In many cases these events pay double points.

Certain club positions also earn additional volunteer points because the time/effort committed outside of the race weekends. These positions include the Board of Directors, Newsletter Editor, and Race Stewards.

\*\*Lists are not all inclusive.

## Volunteer Referral Program

Refer a new worker to the CRA and earn 10 points for yourself, and 5 points for the new worker. To earn the referral points the new worker needs to earn 3 volunteer points AND complete their CRA membership on Motorsportreg.com. Once the criteria has been met, please email [Workerliaison@CRA-MN.com](mailto:Workerliaison@CRA-MN.com) to claim your bonus points.

# What are they good for?

Volunteers can earn exclusive CRA swag by reaching certain point levels.

- 25 – CRA Hoodie
- 50 – CRA Duffel Bag
- 75 – Frogg Toggs Rain Gear or CRA Hoodie
- 100 – CRA Jacket
- 150 – CRA Backpack
- 200 – Volunteers Choice\* For details email the Worker Liaison

## Dickies Jacket



## Dri Duck Jacket

(also available in tall)



## OGIO Jacket



# Incentive for recruiting new volunteers!

In addition to the worker bonus points incentive that has been in place for several years, we are now offering an incentive for racers who refer volunteers! The requirements of the new volunteer are the same as the requirements through the worker bonus points program (see below). For the racer incentive, the referring racer will receive a \$25 coupon code valid for CRA events!

## **Recruitment bonus points/coupon requirements:**

1. The “new” volunteer must have never volunteered with the CRA previously.
2. The “new” volunteer must fill out a membership application on that first weekend they volunteer, and have it on file with the membership director.
3. The “new” volunteer must list the “referring” volunteer or racer on their membership application.
4. The “referring” racer/volunteer must also have already or will need to fill out a membership application, and have it on file with the membership director.
5. The new volunteer needs to earn 3 worker points
  - 1 point is earned for each half day worked
6. The recruiting worker will then receive 10 bonus points - or - the recruiting racer will receive a \$25 coupon code valid for CRA events; and the new volunteer will receive 5 bonus points.

Once the new worker has completed their paperwork and earned the required points, please contact the Worker Liaison: [workerliaison@cra-mn.com](mailto:workerliaison@cra-mn.com).



# Say Hello to Your Next Race Bike

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\*Oh, you betcha!



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# Let's Get To Know... Dawn "Kitty" Olsen!

By: Lindsay Ingebritson



Dawn started with the CRA 28 years ago as a Corner Worker. She's been a Corner Captain, F&C Chief, Board Member (President for 3 years), Steward, and now Chief Steward. She's been putting up with all of our worker/volunteer and racer shenanigans as the Chief Steward for 9 years. I don't know how she does it. Herding cats comes to mind . . . .

When Dawn is not at a CRA weekend, during the summer she works Race Control for car groups at BIR. She also helps out with drag racing as the clock operator. Dawn has even done clocks

for the Top Fuel and Funny Car NHRA Test Days at BIR. That's a LOT of quality time spent at the racetrack! During the racing off-season she can usually be found with one of her sewing machines working on a quilting project.

Now for some fun facts about Dawn - she can't make chocolate frosting, she loves crispy bacon, and she's an only child. She also loves watersports, especially snorkeling and snuba. You'd be surprised how many people don't know this, but Dawn is married to Toby (the F&C Chief)! Did you know that? Also, sometime over a beer she will tell you how she got her nickname. Note to self - bring Kitty a beer and ask her about this.

What is Dawn's favorite part of CRA motorcycle racing? She has met some of her closest friends through the CRA. When we talk about our 'racing family', it's really a thing. Every weekend she is amazed at how talented and FAST our racers are. It's incredible to see how they're able to control their race bikes. Dawn also adds, "there's a place for everyone at the CRA. I started knowing literally nothing about motorcycles. I learned to ride myself (with the help of a lot of CRA people!) and have my own bike (YZF600R) so if I can do it, anyone can!" Well meow, there's only one thing left to say - we are happy that you are part of the CRA family, Dawn! Thanks for helping us get to know you!

# May Weekend Highlights

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