



Gran Prix Imports Hosts First National Road Racing Championship of the Season at PIR

Also, Sunday's regional races are round #3 of the 2007 Oregon Region SCCA Road Racing Championship presented by Fluge Global Adventures

PORTLAND, Ore. – May 11, 2007 – For the first time in 2007, teams competing in the Sports Car Club of America qualifying rounds for the 2007 SCCA® National Championship Runoffs® Presented by AT&T make an appearance Friday through Sunday at Portland International Raceway.

As a bonus, round three of the 2007 Oregon Region Sports Car Club of America (SCCA) Road Racing Championship presented by Fluge Global Adventures is also scheduled to run as part of this double-header weekend.

Among the more nearly 200 race drivers competing this weekend is event sponsor representative Matt Crandall in his Panoz GTS in the GT2 race. Wilsonville's Crandall is currently a close second in points to Jay Audia of Bend, with James Yozamp of Bend and Matt Rudolph of Seattle in hot pursuit. Also competing is Nick Fluge in his Fluge Global Adventures 2006 Corvette in the ITE classification. Portland's Fluge is currently leading the regional championship point standings in this hotly contested class of Porsches, Mustangs, BMWs and Corvettes.

The Gran Prix Imports event this weekend consists of eight regional race groups and an additional seven groups qualifying for national championship points. Practice begins 8:30 a.m. on Friday with qualifying set for 8:30 a.m. Saturday. The first national races begin at 8:30 a.m. on Sunday and conclude at 12:50 p.m. Regional races begin at 2:00 p.m. Sunday and conclude with last race starting at 5:05 p.m.

All six regional race weekends in 2007 count towards Fluge Global Adventure class championships and take place at Portland International Raceway. All seven national race groups count towards qualifying spots for the SCCA National Championship Runoffs® Presented by AT&T, to be held October 8-14 at Heartland Park Topeka in Kansas.

Portland International Raceway is owned and operated by the City of Portland through its bureau of Parks and Recreation. The raceway is operated as an Enterprise Fund, meaning that its operating expenses and capital improvements

are covered by the revenues that it generates, as Portland International Raceway receives no general fund tax dollars. The raceway's varied, year round activities contributes over \$45 million and 690 jobs to the surrounding community each year.

Individual event sponsors all hail from the Portland metropolitan area, including Monte Shelton Jaguar, Temp-Control Mechanical Corp., Gran Prix Imports, Pro Drive Racing School, and Brewer Construction. Race cars range from exotic purpose-built sports racers and open-wheel formula cars, to GT, sedan and vintage cars.

2007 Race Calendar

March 4

Fluge Global Adventures Regional Races

April 21-22

Monte Shelton Jaguar Regional Races presented by Fluge Global Adventures

May 11-13

Gran Prix Imports National and Regional Races presented by Fluge Global Adventures

June 1-3

40th Annual Rose Cup Races Presented by Temp-Control Mechanical Corp.

June 30- July 1

Pro Drive Regional Races presented by Fluge Global Adventures

August 25-26

Brewer Construction Regional Races presented by Fluge Global Adventures

About Gran Prix Imports

Gran Prix Imports was created by Michael Warn and Matt Crandall. They met through their involvement in motorsports where they started a successful racing team "MJ2 Racing." They then agreed to create Gran Prix imports, a place for everyone who shared their love of fine automobiles and their demand for a high level of perfection. With their experience and connections, they put together a team of people who are the best in their fields.

Their demand for excellence on and off the track is the key to Gran Prix Imports. It is comprised of people who share their passion for the art of motoring and know what it takes to be the best. "Our customer," explains Matt Crandall, "is the successful, demanding individual who wants the best in service and performance from their luxury vehicle."

Gran Prix Imports is located at 25300 SW Parkway Ave., Wilsonville, OR 97070 and can be reached at 503-570-1019. Their Web site is www.gpimports.com.

About Fluge Global Adventures

Fluge Global Adventures consists of a series of events and adventures sure to please anyone wishing to rekindle their relationship with adrenaline and excitement. These include a 19,000 foot summit run at Mt. Kilimanjaro in Tanzania, a cross country road race in The Cannonball Run 2007, a very serious hike to Base Camp at Mt. Everest in Nepal, a full scale onslaught on the World Series of Poker, and High Octane Adventures in the SCCA behind the wheel of full-on Super cars. These are just some of the events already in progress for 2007 with more to come. Their Web site can be found at www.flugeadventures.com.

About Oregon Region SCCA

The Oregon Region of the SCCA was established in the 1960's and has grown to its present membership of over 1,200 members. The Region obtained its charter from SCCA in 1962. It is a member oriented, member operated club with the primary purpose of "promoting, maintaining and improving automobile sports and interest in the ownership, operation of, and safety of sports cars."

The roots of SCCA and Oregon Region run deep in racing history. The origin of SCCA can be traced back to the pre-World War II "Auto Racing Club of America" which disbanded because of World War II. Originally, the State of Oregon was included in the territory of Northwest Region, SCCA (NWR), and it remained that way until the official creation of Oregon Region in 1962.

From its beginning, Oregon Region SCCA has been organizing and administering sports car/club racing events at Newport, Goshen (South of Eugene) and Portland's West Delta Park (now Portland International Raceway - PIR). The Region's first race was held at the Newport municipal airport (an ex-WWII air base) in 1962.

Currently, Oregon Region has active programs in Club Racing, Vintage Racing, Road Rally, Rallycross, and in Solo II - SCCA's autocross program where competitors compete against the clock in a controlled atmosphere. The Oregon region also provides workers and officials to major professional international racing competitions here in Oregon and across North America. Their Web site is www.oregonscca.com and may also be reached at 503.224.9469.

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