



THUNDER MOUNTAIN RACEWAY

(THE DRAG RACE DIVISION OF THE OKANAGAN AUTO SPORTS CLUB)

VOLUNTEER POSITIONS

As Thunder Mountain Raceway gets ready for ~~coaching~~ offering Drag Racing to the Okanagan Valley, we still rely totally on the help and dedication of individuals like yourself who are looking to make a difference and have some fun at the same time. The track will always need volunteers to keep the races running smoothly, and it is always a challenge to find enough men and women who love the sport to make a commitment. We realize that Thunder Mountain not just around the block, so we offer a gratuity of \$7.50 per day/\$15.00 per weekend. This money can be used for gas or whatever helps to subsidize your trip up the hill to help us.

Your time and commitment is truly appreciated, and if you know of someone that would like to come on board this year as a helper, we would appreciate hearing from them and finding out what they would like to do. Here is a list of some of the positions that need constant attention, as every volunteer job is special and has its importance during the course of a race weekend.

- **GATE** - not a very good vantage point but if fresh air and talking to people is something you like and you can handle money and are responsible, this would be a good position.
- **TECH** - this is a position that requires 2 or 3 people who can consistently be at every race, so you get to know the vehicles and are extremely knowledgeable about cars and the safety features needed for the race cars.
- **THE TOWER** - sounds ominous, not really. Here are the qualifications needed to work in the tower. If you can handle stress and lots of pressure, are good with numbers, have some sort of computer experience and like being on top of things, you qualify for these jobs. There are 2 or 3 different positions that are performed up there, and if you like it you will be held in the highest regard by the Drag Race Executive.
- **BURNOUT BOARDS** - It's is hot and dirty work, but if you love to be up close to the action and can appreciate the smell of burning rubber and alcohol then this is where you need to be. You must be prepared to work on a rotating shift, as everyone needs a break from this position.
- **STAGING** - You will assist the Staging Director in bring up the cars by class and keeping the race running smoothly. During eliminations it is crucial to pair the cars in the order that is set out on the ladders. This position keeps you right in the thick of things.
- **FLOATERS** - Two people are needed in the area between the Burnout Box and the Starting Line. Your job will be to watch for windows not rolled up all the way, doors not completely closed, keeping unauthorized spectators out of the restricted areas, etc. anything that is a potential danger to the competitor. Also it helps the tower immensely if there is 1 or 2 people in the staging area to make sure that the numbers on the cars and their dial-ins (when applicable) are large, clear and legible for the helpers in the tower to read. The wrong numbers in the computer result in a re-run, wasted time, extra wear and tear on the cars and frustrated drivers.
- **TECH SHACK** - This is where you get to meet all the drivers face to face, register them for the race. There are two or three crucial positions that need dedicated individuals that can be available for all races. Once you learn the computer program, Sunday is a non stop day of monitoring printouts for the staging director, you become a very important part of keeping the race day running on time.
- **RAFFLES & 50/50 DRAWS** - 2 people work together as a team going thru the crowds and race pits. Usually once or twice a weekend.

Well that's about it, I guess the only thing I didn't talk about is the **WORK PARTIES**. The track does not keep itself clean, and by and large it seems that a whole lot of people still haven't figured out what garbage cans are for. Needless to say after each race there is always some clean up to do and it goes much faster with lots of hands. I hope we can count on some of you when the time comes.

To Volunteer or For More Information go to
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c/o Volunteer Coordinator