# Second Strike Fall Invitational Track Event

Lowe's Motor Speedway Saturday and Sunday, September 21 and 22, 2002

A final note before the big weekend to let you know what to expect.

But it won't help if you don't read it!

The objectives of this event are to be safe, learn, have fun, and get plenty of track time. These guidelines will allow all of us to achieve our objectives, so please take the time to read and understand them.

We will have over 40 cars and over 60 drivers. If we work together, it will go smoothly and we will get plenty of quality track time. Please remember that this event has been organized by volunteers. So be patient and courteous. If you are asked to volunteer, please do so promptly and courteously. If there is a problem, be part of the solution, not part of the problem. This is a "we" event being put on by the people who are driving in the event and you are part of that "we".

### **Friday Night**

We will be having event check in and tech inspection at the Wingate Inn from 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM, possibly later if folks are still coming in. If at all possible, please register and get your car teched on Friday night to take the load off of Saturday morning.

You will receive your check-in packet with nametags, additional event information, and event shirts at check in. Any information provided in the check in packet supercedes any information provided here.

There will be a get together at the Wingate Inn between 6:00 PM and 9:00 PM. Snacks and refreshments will be provided.

### **Saturday**

The track opens at 7:00 AM. Come early.

Check in and tech inspection will run from 7:30 AM to 8:30 AM. Check in and tech are mandatory for all drivers and cars, respectively.

The drivers' meeting is at 8:30 AM. The drivers' meeting is mandatory for all drivers. If you miss the driver's meeting you will have to schedule a make up before you can get on the track. This will make no one happy.

We will break for lunch between noon and 1:00 PM. There will be food service at the track. There are also a number of restaurants nearby.

We will close for the day at 5:00 PM.

There will be a post-track get together at the Wingate Inn between 6:00 PM and 9:00 PM. Snacks and refreshments will be provided. There are a number of restaurants nearby for you evening dining pleasure.

### Sunday

The track opens at 7:00 AM.

There is a drivers meeting at 8:30 AM. Attendance is again mandatory for all drivers.

The first run group will launch at 9:00 AM. We will pick up where we left off Saturday afternoon.

We will break for lunch between noon and 1:00 PM. There will be food service at the track. There are also a number of restaurants nearby.

We will close the event at 5:00 PM.

### **Tech Inspection**

The function of tech inspection is not to fix your car. It is to review the preparatory work that you have already done. It is important that you attend to everything on the list before arriving in Charlotte. If everyone shows up with ill-prepared cars,

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then we will not get on the track in a timely fashion. The organizers of the events cannot and are not responsible for mob behavior in this case. Be ready!

#### Remember to:

- 1. Check all your fluids.
- 2. Replace your brake fluid if it is more than a year or two old. This is your choice, but it is recommended. Brake fluid absorbs water. The water boils under hard (hot) braking and can cause your brakes to go away.
- 3. For Superformance, set your tire pressure at 28 psi all around. A bit high, but it is easier to let air out than to put it in.
- 4. Bring your tech form to tech with your portion already filled out.

Note: four-point safety belts are required (lap belt plus shoulder harness) for the driver. Five-point belts are strongly recommended. The latch guard is also strongly recommended, but not required.

#### **Events**

We will have three events – Figure -8, Autocross, and Track.

We will run two Figure 8 courses with instructors on Saturday morning to give everyone a chance to complete the Figure 8 instruction early in the event. Saturday afternoon, we will convert the entire area to a large and challenging Autocross course with instruction, of course. The Autocross event will be a timed event and trophies will be awarded for best times. Autocross will continue all day Sunday. Autocross has been described as "the most fun you can have with your clothes on". It is also a great way to learn how to drive at the limit. Have fun; learn something – hard to beat!

The Track Event will be in continuous operation following the drivers' meeting with a break for lunch.

### **Passengers**

**Figure-8 and Autocross:** Passengers are permitted in the Figure-8 and Autocross. Helmets and lap belts are required for passengers. Full or double roll bars and full five-point harnesses for the passenger are not required.

**Track Event:** Passengers are permitted in the Track Event. Helmets, full or double roll bars, and four-point harnesses are required for passengers.

**Instruction:** If the driver is an event instructor, then the passenger needs only a helmet and a lap belt. Full or double roll bars and full five-point harnesses for the passenger are not required.

#### **Ladies Runs**

We will have regularly scheduled Ladies Runs.

#### Rain or Shine

The event is on, rain or shine. Driving will be permitted in the rain, but caution is urged. Light car, wide tires, big engine – I think you can get the picture. Driving in the rain can teach you a lot about handling at the limits of adhesion.

### **Other Opportunities for Fun**

We are considering a Poker Run for early arrivals on Friday and a Car Show on Saturday. So far, there has not been sufficient interest shown to schedule these events, but that may change.

The Richard Petty Driving Experience will be running on the NASCAR banked oval. A 3 lap "Ride Experience" is available for \$99 on a walk in basis if you are interested.

#### In General

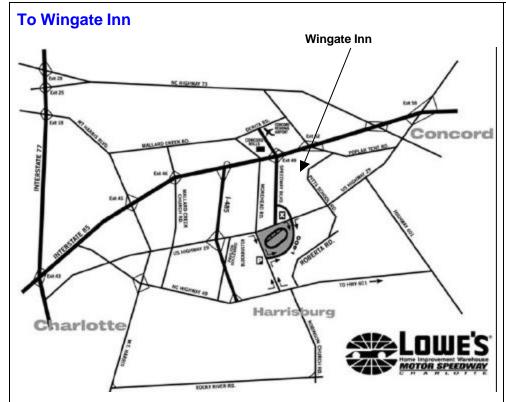
Consider arriving at the track with a full tank of gas. Speed takes fuel. You can expect to run through at least a tank a day. There are gas stations nearby. We believe the one at the corner of US 29 and Morehead Rd. has race gas.

Baby sitters are not being provided. If you bring your children, they must be with a parent at all times. Cars are in motion constantly, sometimes at high speed. People are not always paying attention. Course marshals, corner workers, and other course workers cannot watch your children and do their jobs. This is a safety issue.

This will probably be as hot as a day at the beach. Bring sunscreen, hats, long sleeves, chairs to sit in, and lots of bottled water.

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# **Directions**



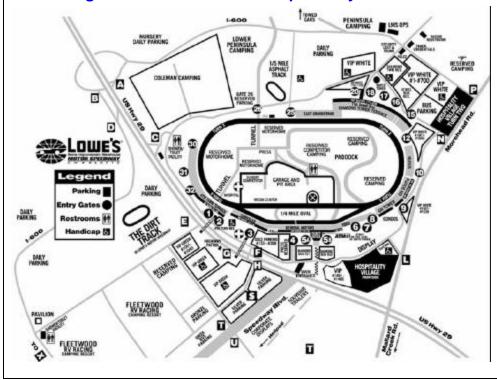
From Interstate 85, take Exit 49 which is Speedway Blvd.

At the top of the exit ramp turn toward Lowe's Motor Speedway and away from Concord Mills.

Turn left onto Weddington Road Extension (Across from Sam's Mart Gas Station), approximately 1/4 mile.

Wingate Inn will be on just ahead on your left.

# From Wingate Inn to Lowe's Motor Speedway



Its hard to miss.

Head up Weddington Road Extension to Speedway Blvd.

Turn left on Speedway Blvd. And continue to Lowe's Motor Speedway.

Cross US 29 and enter the speedway grounds. Turn right and circle behind the track.

Enter the infield through the tunnel - (26) on map.

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