

Early Model Vehicles Receive a Special Welcome
Trailer parking will be provided close by the Nationals Field for all early models registered. Let AACA see those early vehicles that made automotive history!

Race Cars Welcome
Race Cars will be demonstrated on a private road on the speedway campus.

Drivers Participation Class
Almost every AACA Member has a Driver Participation vehicle that can be shown at the AACA Nationals. Spring in Charlotte is a great time to bring out your DPC vehicle!

Original and Senior Original Vehicles
Vehicles produced for model year up to 2001 are eligible for evaluation and certification.

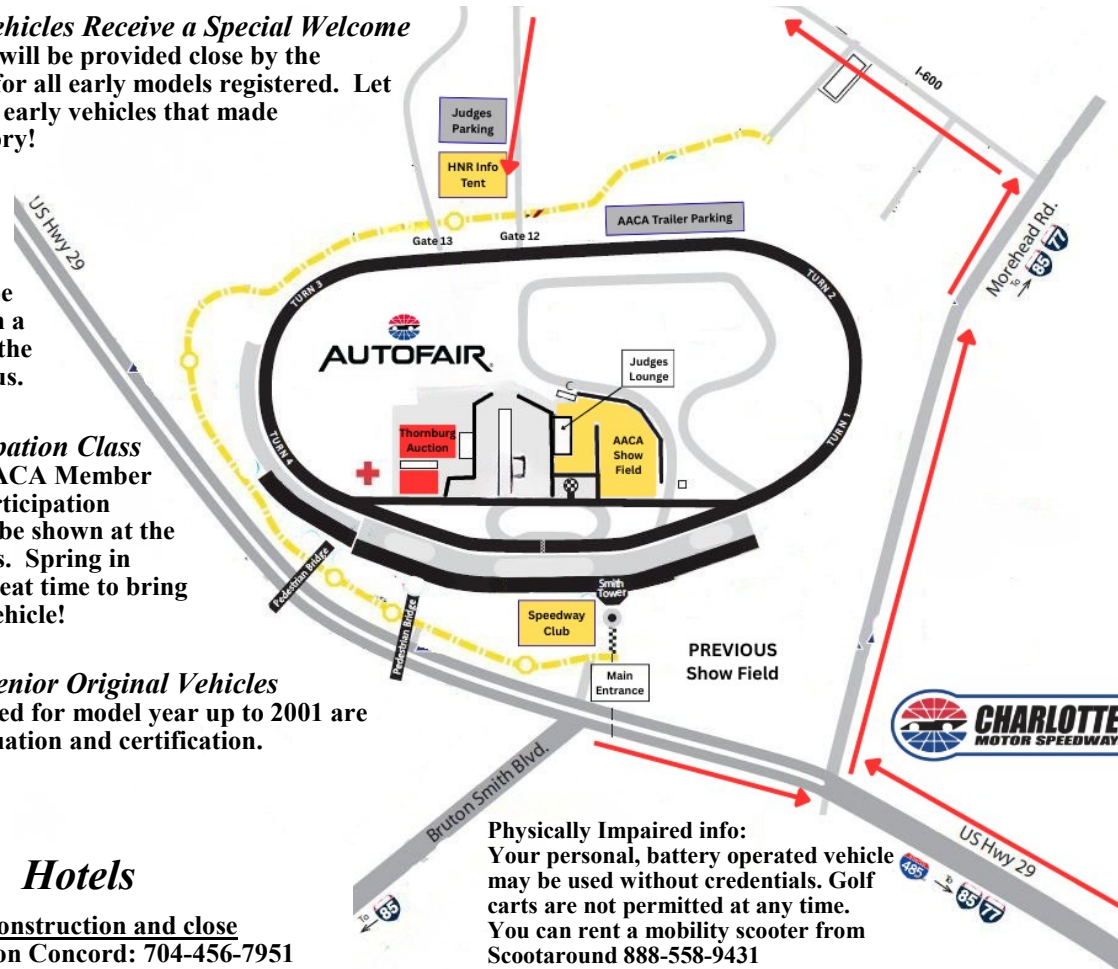
Hotels

New Construction and close
Tru by Hilton Concord: 704-456-7951
Home2 Suites by Hilton: 704-456-7950

Old Favorites and close
Embassy Suites: 704-455-8200
Comfort Suites Concord Mills: 704-761-6803
Wingate by Wyndham: 704-979-1300
Hampton Inn: 704-793-9700
Courtyard by Marriott: 704-453-2600
Residence Inn: 704-454-7862
Homewood Suites: 980-313-3100

Phone numbers are direct to hotels. Check web-sites for best deals - rates are higher for this event. Make your reservations early, this event is busy!

Notice: There will be NO official transportation between the Hotels and the AACA Nationals or Charlotte AutoFair Flea Market.



Physically Impaired info:
Your personal, battery operated vehicle may be used without credentials. Golf carts are not permitted at any time. You can rent a mobility scooter from Scootaround 888-558-9431

Meet Chairman Phillip Cole

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REGISTRATION DEADLINE: March 9

Charlotte Nationals Summary (Check Event Schedule for Time)



Driven Show Vehicles

For Thursday and Friday, driven show vehicle owners may request special parking credentials. No trailers or campers will be allowed with this request.

Thursday—Saturday

Charlotte AutoFair opens at 8 AM to the public (7 AM to Vendors) Thursday thru Saturday. The AACA Registration envelope can be picked up at the Hornets Nest Main Information and Registration Tent located just outside the track at gate 12, between the Red and Green Fields, directly behind the giant jumbotron. AACA hospitality will be open at the same location.

Friday

Race Car and Two-Wheeler condition runs will begin in the morning on the private paved road adjacent to the Trailer Parking area. Following in the afternoon is the AACA Judging School, which will take place at the Media Center in the Speedway infield. See Event Schedule for time on all events.

Saturday

Vehicle registration pick-up is located at the Hornets Nest Main Information and Registration Tent located just outside the track at gate 12, between Red and Green Fields, directly behind the giant jumbotron. Vehicles may begin entering at 7 AM. The Judges Breakfast will be held in the Judges Lounge (Media Center) directly adjacent to the Nationals Field. All vehicles must be on the Field for judging to begin at 11 AM and remain until released by the Chief Judge at 3 PM. AACA Awards will begin at 4 PM in the very prestigious Speedway Club in Smith Tower. The Picnic will begin about 5:30 PM, just after the AACA Awards are completed.

• Credentials for Charlotte AutoFair

Credentials for Charlotte AutoFair will be provided to each AACA Owner registering a vehicle and to each registered AACA Judge.

• Vehicle Trailers and Motor Home Parking

Special locations on the Speedway grounds at Charlotte AutoFair have been set aside for Antique Vehicle trailers, haulers, RVs and motor homes. All must be self contained. All the spaces are assigned and must be pre-registered. Credentials and maps will be issued to you for these special reserved locations. Full-time, secured trailer parking is provided Thursday night through Sunday morning at 10 AM.

• AACA Nationals Field

The show field is inside the Speedway in the Xfinity Garage and it's totally paved.



Welcome to the Charlotte Area



The Hornets Nest Region extends a cordial Welcome to all fellow AACA members attending the Southeastern Spring Nationals. April is a great time of year to visit Charlotte and we are especially pleased that you have chosen to participate. The AACA Nationals is being held during the Hornets Nest Region's Charlotte AutoFair (produced each Spring) at Charlotte Motor Speedway. Credentials for Charlotte AutoFair will be provided to each AACA Owner registering a vehicle and to each registered AACA Judge.

The Speedway is located on NC Highway 29 North in Concord, NC. The Nationals site is most easily accessed from Interstate 85, using the Bruton Smith Blvd exit. The Hornets Nest Main Information and Registration Tent is located just outside the track at gate 12, between Red and Green Fields, directly behind the giant jumbotron.

Charlotte Area Attractions

Charlotte Motor Speedway is the hub of NASCAR racing facilities to be found in the larger Charlotte metropolitan area. Near the Speedway, Concord Mills Shopping Center is situated at Interstate 85 Exit 49—about two miles from the Speedway and US29 on Bruton Smith Blvd. This is one of the world famous Mills destination malls and includes a Bass Pro-Shop, many specialty stores, and a multitude of restaurants.

The LYNX Blue line (light rail train line) runs a 20 mile route from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte (UNCC) on North Tryon Street (about four miles from the Speedway) with stations through uptown Charlotte, and South to the Pineville area. There are 26 stations and the train runs every 20 minutes until 8PM, then every 30 minutes until 2AM. Uptown Charlotte also has a Gold Line streetcar route that runs all day, seven days each week.

The NASCAR Hall of Fame is on Brevard Street in uptown Charlotte near the Convention Center and the NBA Charlotte Hornets Arena is on East Trade Street. The Bank of America Stadium, home of the NFL Carolina Panthers, has a collectibles shop in the Stadium at Mint Street and Stonewall Street.

Uptown Charlotte features Discovery Place, a hands-on science museum for adults and children. Also there is the cultural campus on South Tryon Street which includes the Mint Museum Craft+Design; the Bechtler Museum of Modern Art; and the Gantt Center for African-American Arts.

Full Service Camping Choices

Apollo Mobile Home & Travel Park—Full hookup, 30 & 50 amp outlets. Shaded areas. Walk across Morehead Road and be at the Speedway in minutes. Located at 4275 Morehead Road. 704-455-2409.

Fleetwood RV Racing Camping Resort—Each site equipped with water, sewer, electric. Cable available. Restroom and shower facility on site. Located about one-half mile from the Speedway on Bruton Smith Blvd. For Reservations call: 704-455-4445.

Note: There will be NO official transportation from these two Camping locations to the AACA Nationals Field.

Event Schedule



Thursday April 9, 2026

7 AM	Charlotte AutoFair Vendors Admitted
8 AM—5 PM	Show Car Trailer Parking Open
8 AM	Charlotte AutoFair Public Gates Open
10 AM—3 PM	Registration Pick-up in AACA Tent
10 AM—3 PM	Hospitality & Info in AACA Tent

Friday April 10, 2026

7 AM	Charlotte AutoFair Vendors Admitted
7 AM—5 PM	Show Car Trailer Parking Open
8 AM	Charlotte AutoFair Public Gates Open
10 AM—4 PM	Registration Pick-up at AACA Tent
10 AM—4 PM	Hospitality & Info in AACA Tent
11 AM	Race Car - Bike Condition Run
	Outside Show Car Trailer Parking area
2 PM—4 PM	AACA Judging School *
2 PM—4 PM	AACA Advanced Judging School *
	Media Center Speedway Infield *

***CAF Admission Credentials are mailed to all registered AACA Judges and Vehicle Owners. The Judges parking pass will be mailed to all registered AACA Judges.**

Saturday April 11, 2026

6:30 AM	Judges Parking Opens
6 AM—11 AM	Show Car Trailer Parking Open
7 AM—11 AM	Registration Pick-up at HNR Information and Registration Tent, located just outside the track at gate 12, between the Red and Green Fields, directly behind the giant jumbotron.
7 AM—11 AM	Show Cars enter Nationals Field
7:30 AM	Judges Breakfast in Media Center
8 AM	Charlotte AutoFair Public Gates Open
9:30 AM	Judges CJE in Media Center
9:30 AM	Youth Program on Nationals Field
9:30 AM	New Owners Clinic at Show Field Entrance
11 AM	All Vehicles must be on Nationals Field
11 AM	AACA Judging Begins
3 PM	Vehicles may leave Nationals Field
4 PM	AACA Awards in the Speedway Club
5:30 PM	Picnic in the Speedway Club



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